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ITALY AND GERMANY AGREE TO COLLABORATE

Important Results of Venice Talks

RETURN TO GENEVA PROBABLE

AUSTRIA'S FUTURE SETTLED

NO BALANCE OF POWER PACTS

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Venice, June 16.
No cut and dried diplomatic agreements have been formulated in the conversations between Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini.

The two statesmen have, it is learned, contented themselves with agreeing personally upon the policies to be pursued in the future.

The real results of their highly important meeting were summarised by Signor Suvich, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a statement to international journalists, following an address by Signor Mussolini to a crowd of 90,000 in St. Mark's Square last night.

SUVICH STATEMENT.

Signor Suvich said that the two statesmen have agreed to collaborate upon international questions, and also that Germany should have equal rights within the League of Nations, although Italy has taken no initiative in seeking to bring Germany back to the League.

Herr Hitler and Mussolini were also agreed about Austria's independence.

An important further understanding reached reveals that both Italy and Germany incline towards the Litvinoff peace proposals and prefer general instead of regional agreements for guaranteeing peace.—United Press.

AVOIDING BLOCS.

There can be no doubt (says Reuter) that Italy and Germany have drawn closer together.

It is emphasised that their common policy is to avoid any system of groups of blocs of nations, while there is no reference to the Four-Power Pact.

This is regarded as exceedingly important as the Pact has hitherto been the dominant thesis of Italian diplomacy. The idea of the Pact was essential to prevent blocs forming round France and Germany respectively.

SAME VIEWS.

It is stated that Italy and Germany still hold the same views and wish to work in collaboration with all other nations.

It is also emphasised by Reuter's correspondent in Venice that the real agreement really lies in the personal relations established between Herr Hitler and Mussolini, rather than upon actual political questions.

NO DOCUMENTS.

It is established that no documents have been signed.

The important diplomatic

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ENGLISH DROUGHT PROBLEM

SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR LONDON

London, June 16.
A special Drought Committee for London has been set up by the Metropolitan Water Board. The Chairman of the Board, Sir William Prescott, stated that this step was necessary to ensure prompt action if drought matters that might arise during the next few weeks.—British Wireless.

WIGHTMAN CUP DUELS

Britain Takes The Doubles

The United States leads in the Wightman Cup series by two matches to one, Britain carrying off the last match, a doubles contest. Four matches, three singles and a doubles will be played to-day. See Sports Pages.

CARNERA'S FUTILITY EXPLAINED

SERIOUS INJURY TO FOOT

UNABLE TO WALK FOR FORTNIGHT

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New York, June 15.
Carnera's almost ridiculous failure to do himself any sort of injury in last night's fight for the world title is revealed to have been due to a serious foot injury.

He was given immediate medical attention after the fight had been stopped and a further examination was made this morning, the physicians then stating that the giant Italian will be unable to walk for at least a fortnight.

TRADE FIGURES.

In view of the clearing-house proposal, attention is being directed to the Anglo-German balance of trade.

Oversize trade returns show that in 1933 the United Kingdom imports from Germany were of a value of £20,000,000. United Kingdom exports to Germany, including freight on British vessels, were valued at £17,000,000.

Warning given by Mr. Chamberlain that purchases of German bonds now held by foreigners will be made at the purchases' own risk was taken on the Stock Exchange to indicate that any plan adopted will apply only to bonds in British hands before the latest development.

BONDS IMPROVE.

On the exchange, German bonds made a recovery on the Chancellor's statement, but left off under the best with the Young bonds at 43 and the Dawes at 62.

A note informing the British Government of the circumstances which led to the German Government's decision to suspend cash transfers was handed by the German Ambassador to the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, at the Foreign Office this evening.—British Wireless.

RESIGNATION OFFERED

ECHO OF KURAMOTO AFFAIR

Tokyo, June 16.

In consequence of the Kuramoto case, Mr. Suna, the Japanese Consul-General at Nanking, today tendered his resignation. The Japanese Foreign Office has decided not to accept.—Central News.

B. A. T. STRIKE

DISPUTE DEFIES SETTLEMENT

Shanghai, June 15.
The strike of workers of the British American Tobacco factory remains unsettled as the management refuse to concede their demands. A delegation of the strikers went to Nanking this evening to petition the Government for redress.—Central News.

BRITAIN'S WARNING TO BERLIN

CLEARING-HOUSE OR AN AGREEMENT

CITY BRIGHTENS

London, June 15.
A favourable reception was accorded in the City to the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that in view of Germany's decision to suspend foreign cash transfers on state loans for six months from July 14, His Majesty's Government intends shortly to propose legislation for setting up an Anglo-German clearing office unless a satisfactory agreement ensuring the fair treatment of British bond holders and British commerce can be negotiated before July 1st.

Detailed arrangements and the particular bonds to which the proposed legislation will refer are being worked out and will, of course, depend upon the outcome of negotiations with Germany.

The Dawes and Young loans are affected by the German decision and the maximum amount of annual service, including sinking funds, on these loans is £2,230,000.

Of this total, interest at 7 per cent. on the Dawes loans in which there was no gold clause amounts to £61,255 and with the sinking fund to about £1,000,000. There was a gold clause in 6½ per cent. Young loan.

Interest alone accounts for £614,586 and the total service, including sinking fund, £780,000. When the 60 per cent. allowance for the difference between sterling and the gold payment is made, the total annual service on the sterling issue of the Young loans is £1,230,000.

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SENIOR T.T. RACE

J. H. GUTHRIE WINS ON NORTON

London, June 16.
The Senior Tourist Trophy motor cycle race in the Isle of Man was won by J. Guthrie on a Norton machine, at an average speed of 79.01 miles per hour.

J. H. Simpson (75.27 m.p.h.) on a Norton was second, and W. Russek (73.27 m.p.h.) on a Velocette was third.—British Wireless.

The name of Dr. Chan Tsun-kon has been added to the list of persons authorised to sign medical certificates of the cause of death.

FINLAND STANDS ALONE

THE ONLY WAR DEBT PAYMENT TO U.S.

Washington, June 16.
The War Debt ledger was closed last night with only Finland's \$166,598 paid out of a total of nearly 478,000,000 dollars due from thirteen nations.—Reuter.

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ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON PRES. MENDIETA

BOMB AT A BANQUET

TYPIST KILLED: 8 INJURED

COL. MENDIETA HIT ON HAND

Havana, June 15.
Col. Mendieta, the President of Cuba, had an exceedingly narrow escape when an attempt was made to assassinate him to-night.

A bomb was thrown just behind the President in a local hotel where Col. Mendieta was attending a banquet.

It exploded with terrific force, causing a complete panic.

President Mendieta was on his feet at the time, delivering a speech to the guests, and his life appears to have been saved by the fact that the full force of the explosion struck a stenographer (who was killed instantly) sitting just behind him.

The President escaped with a wound in the hand.

Eight persons sitting at the head of the table were wounded.—Reuter.

GERMANY'S BID FOR RECIPROCITY

Coffee Imports To Be Controlled

(Special to "Telegraph")

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London, June 15.
Considerable interest has been aroused by a report from New York which indicates that the ability to place an embargo on war material exports may be given its first real test.

The Minister of Economics has decreed that as from July 1, coffee may be imported into Germany only by special licence.

A restriction of imports is not contemplated, the intention being to regulate imports so as to favour such countries as may increase their purchases of finished goods from Germany.—Reuter Special.

SENATE AGAINST PRESIDENT

REFUSES FREE HAND WITH R.F.C. FUNDS

Washington, June 15.
The Senate to-day refused to give President Roosevelt a free hand to dispense for relief and public works the unappropriated funds of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, amounting to nearly \$400,000,000.

The Senate agreed to make a grant but limited it to a hundred million dollars. The restriction was approved by more than a two-thirds majority, the voting being 56/25 against the President.—Reuter.

WINDFALL FOR EXCHEQUER

RACEHORSE OWNER'S FORTUNE

London, June 15.
Mr. Washington Singer, the well-known racehorse owner, and second son of the inventor of the sewing machine bearing his name, left a fortune of the gross value of £1,096,018, with net personality of £368,872 in estate duty has already been paid.—British Wireless.

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DOG SCARE IN YAUMATI

CYCLIST ATTACKED BY POINTER

Shanghai, June 15.
This morning the scene of great excitement when a large liver and white pointer attacked a passer-by.

The dog, known as "Mad Dog," was immediately raised and alarm spread.

The cyclist was knocked down and shaken, and the next development suggested that the animal was more hungry than rabid, as he ran off with a piece of pork that the cyclist was carrying.

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FREE PORT STATUS

SIR W. SHENTON ON HONGKONG TRADE

A LETTER TO MR. DODWELL

Sir,—With reference to the letter in your paper last night on the subject of the "free port status" of Hongkong, I send you herewith a copy of my letter to Mr. S. H. Dodwell, the chairman of the Hongkong Brewers and Distillers Co., Ltd., dealing with that portion of his speech which touched on this subject.

My intention is to provoke discussion on this, to Hongkong, vitally important question. The letter sets out my view on this problem as I, at present, see it. I am sending you my letter with Mr. Dodwell's consent.

W. E. L. SHENTON.

(Enclosure)

IMPORTANT ISSUE

Dear Dodwell,—As regards your Brewery speech, I now propose to deal in detail with Page 8, as requested by you.

Your proposal raises a very important issue, which calls for very careful inquiry and a great deal of deep thinking. Your suggestion entails giving up the free port status of Hongkong and instituting, presumably for the whole Colony, high protective tariffs, in addition, of course, to the revenue tariffs which we at present have. At the moment tax opium, wines, spirits, beer, tobacco, and petrol for revenue purposes, a form of taxation which is internationally recognised as not being contrary to free trade principles.

Married Flirts

by MABEL
McELLIOTT

CHAPTER XXVII

But before Gypsy had a chance to face Tom with what she assumed was plain evidence against him something happened.

Lila came.

Gypsy was just carrying the baby's luncheon upstairs. Clytie had cooked it and there remained now only the task of sealing that David tucked it away as his mother painstakingly spooned it into his small mouth. He was having a few spoonfuls of pureed carrots and some beef juice.

Clytie came panting after her. "There's a lady asking for you, Mrs. Gypsy. She says she'll come up if you're busy."

Gypsy had a feeling of annoyance. She was tired; her head ached. Sue's call had upset her. Who on earth could it be?

Clytie produced a thin, ivory-coloured card. "Mrs. Derek Bliss." "Oh, bring her up, of course," Gypsy frowned. How odd—how extremely odd!

Lila rushed in upon her a moment later, filling the big, high-ceiled room with scent and a feeling of excitement. The shades in the guest room had been raised to the top to allow every bit of morning sun to stream in. It lent the room a cheerful aspect, but there was no disguising the shabbiness of the tan carpet nor the fact that the wallpaper, with its roses and faded blue garlands, had long since been outmoded. David sat erect in his high chair, beating at the tray with a mother of pearl rattle to which were attached three silver bells.

"My dear, I'm so ashamed, barging in on you like this," Lila began. Gypsy silenced her. Lila was positively emanated—her eyes were like great pools in her face and not all the cosmetics in the world could have hidden the tell-tale circles under her eyes.

"Go ahead, I'll watch," Lila said. She settled herself in the old rocker as Gypsy alternately coaxed and bullied her son into some show of interest in his food. The talk was necessarily desultory. Meantime Gypsy's thoughts roved wildly to the state of the family larder. Common courtesy demanded that Lila be asked to lunch. But it was Saturday. There would be, of a certainty,

the usual homely meal of tomato soup and deviled ham sandwiches. Could one, Gypsy thought, caught between laughter and tears, invite Lila to sit down to that?

She squared her shoulders. "Ben, ask Clytie to lay another place. Lila's staying."

"No indeed I'm not. I couldn't eat a bite." Lila was feverishly twisting a lace handkerchief. "I only wanted to see you for a moment, Gypsy."

"If you'll wait until I tick this young man away," Gypsy began doubtfully. Already David was nodding in his place. She moaned his sticky little face and hands and trundled him off into her sister's cubicle where, in a paradise of drawn shades, he collapsed into that divine, untroubled sleep of small babyhood. Gypsy, dropping a light kiss on his downy head, envied him.

"I wonder if you would do something for me," Lila began hesitatingly. "I—I'm in rather a jam, Gypsy. The fact is—well, I can trust you; I'll tell you the whole thing. Marko and I are going to be married—as soon as I can get a marriage."

Gypsy simply looked at her and Lila had the grace to flush. "Oh, I know what you mean, I know what you're thinking," she said with some heat. "But it isn't true. Marko—he's really the man for me, Gypsy. He understands me. Derek never did. He doesn't like our life nor my friends nor anything . . ."

"It's really none of my business," Gypsy said with distaste. "But, since you tell me about it, perhaps I may say I think you're making a great mistake."

"Say anything you like, think anything you like," Lila urged in a soft, wheedling voice. "But do something for me, darling. There's a good girl! I was driving in from Pompton Lakes and suddenly I thought of you. I said to myself, You can trust Gypsy. She'll not give you away."

"Well?" Gypsy was waiting. She felt a little sick over the whole thing.

"I want to get Marko at his office," Lila rushed on. "The thing is, I don't want to call myself. The operator knows my

voice—naturally. Marko advises me to be careful. We don't want any scandal. You call for me, darling; give my message. That's all I ask. Then I will go straight away and not bother you any more. But don't judge me too harshly, Gypsy. This thing just happened. You know how those things do?"

The words recalled Gypsy's own problem and she frowned. "I suppose I do."

"Some marriages just naturally turn out well," Lila observed smoothly. "Like yours, for instance. People with the same interests—the same ideas." She waved her hand to illustrate what she meant. "Now Derek and I want an entirely different sort of existence. Marko knows I must have things happening, excitement. Of course money."

"What do you want me to say to Marko?" Gypsy inquired, anxious to have the task over and done with.

Lila considered. How exquiste she was in this shabby room, reflected the other woman. Lila's clothes, her skin, her long slimming shoes, all bespeak the woman of taste, of means, of elegance. Gypsy felt crude and unfinished beside her.

Lila lifted her beautiful eyes in a vague smile. "Tell him that I'll be at the Ritz at five, the usual place," she said slowly. "Say, I got the flowers and they were lovely. And, oh, of course, I want to pay for that city call!"

Gypsy demurred. The whole thing made her feel a party to some sordid affair. Why was she doing this for Lila? Why didn't she refuse? Ah, but when they had been little girls together Lila had done many charming and gracious things for her. You didn't refuse your friends favours just because they behaved in a manner you considered unbecoming.

"I can't do it now, I'll have to wait until Mother takes her nap," Gypsy explained. Lila had to be satisfied with that. She had, she said, an appointment at the hairdresser's in an hour and the chauffeur, a new one, would just

be able to make it. So she went away, lovely and suave and just a little smug.

About this time Tom was rising from his desk in the office and glancing at the clock to make sure he would be able to catch the ferry which connected with the 1:57 train at Jersey City. He was anxious not to miss it. Gypsy would be waiting and she had seemed oddly touchy recently about small things. When he was into she seemed suspicious and bitter; not like her old self at all.

The telephone rang as he reached for his coat and one of the stenographers in the outer office answered it.

"For you, Mr. Weaver." She was a toothy girl in blue with a friendly air, and he smiled at her. For the thousandth time the stenographer reflected what an enviable position Mr. Tom Weaver's wife had. Some girls had all the luck.

Tom held the telephone cradle close and said hello. His expression changed slightly, took on a grimmer aspect.

"Sorry," he said. "I can't make it. I'm just leaving."

Evidently the person at the other end was importunate, because he had to repeat his excuses over and over. When he put the instrument down he looked very grim indeed. The girl in blue wondered mildly what had happened to upset him. That woman—for it was a woman's voice that had asked for him—must have been a pest of some kind. It wasn't like Mr. Weaver to go for the day without saying good-bye.

Tom's long legs cleared the distance between subway and ferry house quickly. He was panting as the boat nosed its way out of the slip. This commuting was no easy job, he thought, watching the water gild past. He would like, for Gypsy's sake, to have a house somewhere near Blue Hills. She could see the family often then. Maybe she wouldn't be so lonely. She was cooped up in that apartment all day with no one but the baby to talk to. It wasn't much fun.

For all his haste, he missed the train he had tried to catch. It was moving out of the station just as he rushed through the aisle. What rotten luck! There was a wait of half an hour before the

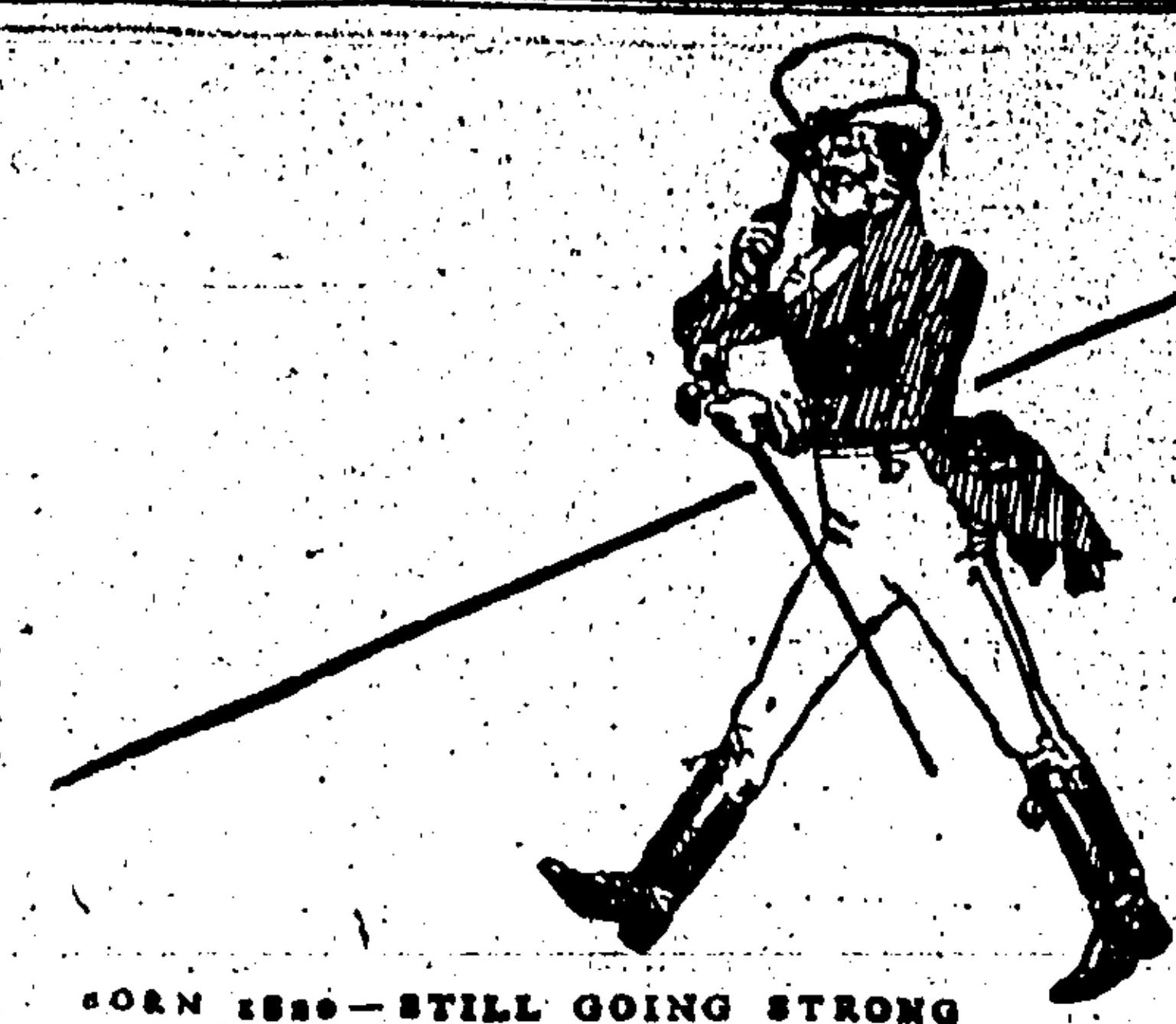
next one and Gypsy would be meeting him with the car. She might think he was not coming at all. It was not his fault; a chain of circumstances had led up to the telephone call, but it would be difficult to explain all this to Gypsy. She would not understand, might not even listen.

He went into a telephone booth and gave the number of the Morell house. It would help matters if he caught Gypsy before she left for the station. She would know he was on his way. As he waited he whistled softly. Surely he was making a mountain out of a molehill. Gypsy was normally the sweetest and most reasonable being imaginable. Whatever he had done or had failed to do she would forgive and understand.

He heard a buzzing, the operator's voice. Then Gypsy's clear tones came to him. He smiled, was just about to speak, but realized in time that he had broken into a connection.

Gypsy said very distinctly, "Marko? I have a message for you. It's rather important. The flowers came, and they were lovely." Tom put the receiver on the hook. The man waiting for his turn at the booth stared curiously. "Fellow looked mighty funny to me," he said later to his companion. "Looked as if he'd had bad news."

(To Be Continued.)



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CHURCH NOTICES**ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.**

Election Of The New People's
Warden To-morrow.

OPEN AIR CONCERT.

Sunday June 17 (3rd Sunday after Trinity).
Holy Communion at 8.15 a.m.
Choral Communion with Sermon at 11 a.m.
Even-song with Sermon at 6 p.m.
Preacher: The Vicar.

The election of the new People's Warden will take place after the Choral Communion Service. All members of the Electoral Roll of the Church are requested to be present.

On Monday, June 18, at 6 p.m., the Parochial Church Council meeting will be held in the Hall.

The St. Andrew's Club picnic will be held as usual on Saturday, leaving Police Pier, Kowloon, at 3.30 p.m.

A successful Whist Drive was held in the Hall last Tuesday. It is hoped that a series of these Drives will be held during the coming months.

There will be an open-air concert and entertainment on the tennis lawn at the back of the Church on Monday, June 25. The price of admission will be \$1.10.

Special Notice.
The Vicar wishes it to be known that during the summer months worshippers will be welcome in church in sports or holiday clothes.

METHODIST CHURCH.**List Of Services For
To-morrow.****REV. TRIBBECK TO PREACH**

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at Methodist Church, Wan Chai.

Third Sunday After Trinity.
Morning Order 10.15 a.m. by Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck.

Hymn No. 354, "Come, Father, Son and Holy Ghost," (Dunfermline Hymn).

Prayer. The Lord's Prayer.
Hymn No. 377, "Come, Thou Fount of every blessing," ("Lux Eccl.")

First Lesson Neh. 2.

Children's Address.

Children's Hymn No. 876, "Hushed was the evening hymn," ("Samuel")

Second Lesson: Matt. 7. 1-14.

Prayer. Notices.

Hymn No. 410, "Dear Lord and Father of mankind," ("Rest")

Sermon.

Hymn No. 366, "My Saviour! how shall I proclaim," ("Compassion").

Evening Order 8.15 p.m.

Blessing. National Anthem.

Hymn No. 117, "We saw Thee not" ("Credo").

Prayer. The Lord's Prayer.

Hymn No. 429, "O God, my God, my all Thou art!" ("Eden").

Reading. Prayer. Notices.

Hymn No. 442, "God of all grace and majesty," ("Beulah" App. 9).

Address.

Hymn No. 10, "Praise the Lord!" ("Sicilian Mariners" No. 885).

Blessing.

Notices.

At the Sailors' & Soldiers' Home.

Christian Social Hour, Sunday,

June 17, at 7 p.m.

Badminton—Monday, June 18

and Thursday, June 21, at 7 p.m.

UNION CHURCH
(Kennedy Road).

Rev. Dr. E. L. Allen To
Preach To-morrow.

DEACONS' COURT MEETING.

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Sunday, June 17.

Sunday School, 9.30 a.m.

Morning service, 10.30 a.m.

Evening service, 6 p.m.

Preacher at both services: The Rev. Dr. E. L. Allen.

Social Hour in the Church Hall after the evening service.

Tuesday, June 19. Servicemen's Bathing Party. Launch leaves Queen's Pier 5 p.m., return 7 p.m.

Church Choir Practice: Tuesdays at 5.30 p.m.

Every Tuesday in the Church Hall at 7.30 p.m. Devotional Meeting of the Soldiers' and Airmen's Christian Association.

Wednesday, June 20, at 10 a.m. in the Church Hall. Meeting of Women's Committee.

Thursday, June 21. Deacons' Court meet in the Church Hall at 6.30 p.m.

Young People's Bathing Party. Saturday, June 20. Launch leaving Queen's Pier at 2.45 p.m.

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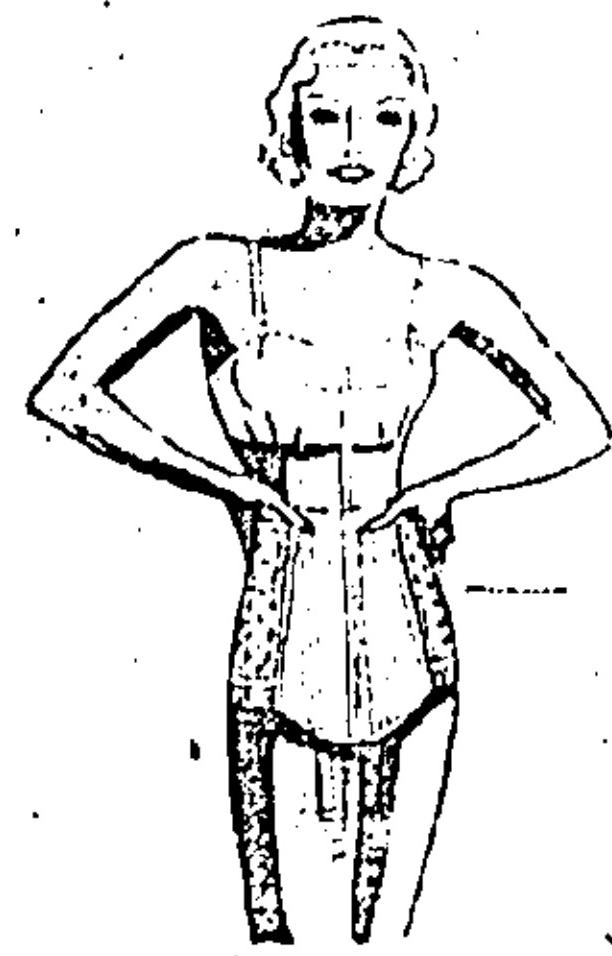
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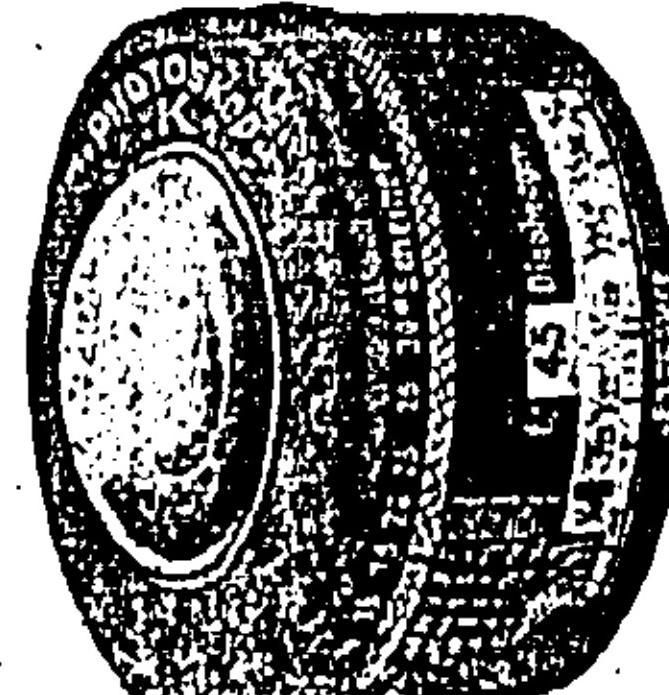
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CINEMA SCREENINGS

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES

An excellent mixture of comedy, melody and "beauty," "Melody in Spring," opens to-day at the Alhambra Theatre to present to patrons that reliable team of Charlie Ruggles and Mary Boland, a new romantic singing personality, Lanny Ross, and the beautiful Ann Southern. Paramount, impressed with the tremendous popularity of Bing Crosby, whom it plucked from the air waves, stepped out a few months ago to take Lanny Ross from the "Showboat" house and ascend to have hit upon another great star, Ross, a young, handsome and performing trouperly well for his first screen venture. He is a splendid singer, with a full, rich tenor voice. Ruggles and Miss Boland, teamed together for the fourth time, provide more laughs than ever, while Miss Southern is properly decorative. The story involves Ruggles, a wealthy dog-biscuit manufacturer, who sponsors the nation's biggest radio hour; Miss Boland, his wife; Miss Southern, his daughter, and Ross, a hopeful tenor, anxious to get on the radio programme. Both men have "hobbies," which get them in hilarious difficulties, Ruggles being a collector of antiques and souvenirs, while Ross climbs mountains. Director Norman McLeod keeps the action moving at a swift pace throughout. "Ending With a Kiss," "Melody in Spring," and "The Open Road," the hit songs from the film, were written by Lewis Gensler and Krause Thompson.

Morning Glory"

When it comes to suspense, there is nothing like a Broadway first night. So too such leaders of the theatre as Lowell Sherman and Katherine Hepburn, director and star respectively of "Morning Glory," which will be shown at the King's Theatre on Sunday. The work of months, sometimes years, hangs in the balance. The curtain sweeps up, the play is on. Out beyond the footlights sit Judge and jury, the critics and the audience. By the time the second act is ended, the verdict usually is in. Hopes are realized or blasted. A new hit is on its way to a long run, or another flop hits the skids for a quick closing. Around a suspense-crammed situation like this, is woven the dramatic climax of "Morning Glory," RKO Radio Picture, which stars Miss Hepburn and Douglas Fairbanks. Excitement is added by the fact that a career as well as the fate of a play, hangs in the balance. Miss Hepburn is seen as a girl who gets a spectacular chance for fame in a new play, after a struggle replete with disappointments and heartbreak. Young Fairbanks portrays a playwright and Adolphe Menjou takes part of a Broadway producer. Others in the cast include May Duncan, Freddie Springfield, C. Aubrey Smith, Tyler Brooke and Richard Carle.

"Song of the Desert"

When a husband tries to deceive his wife, he is almost certain to become involved in a series of difficulties. This is especially true if he is assisted in his fabrications by one as dumb as Stan Laurel, who, with his double-splitting, cymbal-raising partner, Oliver Hardy, is seen in their latest feature-length comedy "Song of the Desert" showing at the Oriental Theatre on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Assisted by a notable cast including Charley Chase, a star in his own right; Mae Busch, Dorothy Christy and Linden Littlefield, a situation of wife-deception is turned into a screamingly funny picture that ably colours the mirth-provoking antics of the stellar comedy team.

"We're Not Dressing"

Big Crosby sang and acted his way to the greatest success of his motion picture career on the screen of the Alhambra Theatre in his new adventure musical "We're Not Dressing." The Paramount fast-moving vehicle brought with Crosby a sure-fire cast equally entertaining, plus a group of Carole Lombard, George Burns and Gracie Allen, Ethel Merman and Leon Errol. This group of song-producing and fun-making stars embark on more than sixty minutes of music, laughs and suspense aboard the yacht of Mrs. Lombard, cast in the role of a wealthy heiress. Crosby is a sailor aboard the yacht, with Miss Merman, Errol and the fortune-hunting princess, Jay Leary and Ray Milland, as guests aboard the cruiser. There is a shipwreck and this colourful band of revellers invade a South Sea island haven. On the other side of the island are Burns and Allen, a pair of anti-nationalists. The fireworks start when Crosby has to take command of the situation, putting the former pleasure-seeking yachting guests to work. Under Taurog's direction, Crosby is allowed in his new picture to take advantage of the comedy scenes written for him by Benjamin Glazer. Charles Lang, who won this year's award of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the best cinema photography was behind the camera during filming of "We're Not Dressing." Results on the screen are proof of his expertise. Paramount has in this picture an outstanding piece of action entertainment—a clever picture with features to attract every family member.

"Jimmy and Sally"

A half dozen years can make a big difference in anybody's life, particularly in the circumstances of a movie star's career. For in this field of art many a star sweeps across the pictures firmament with meteoric rapidity. Seven years ago James Dunn was doing his best to make good in his father's New York brokerage office. But to-day he is a front-ranking movie actor in Hollywood. An unusual compliment has been paid him in "Jimmy and Sally," inasmuch as the authors, Paul Schofield and Marguerite Roberts, wrote the screen play around Dunn's own character. The picture also presents "Jimmy" a new screen sweetheart, Clair Trevor, blonde, slim, small, pretty and talented who also hails from New York. It is now showing at the King's Theatre.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day.

H.K. Bank, \$1850 n.
H.K. Bank (London), £1630 n.
Chartered Bank, £16 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B., £28 n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £15 n.
East Asia Bank, \$91 n.
Am. O. Finance Corp., Sh. \$20 n.
China O. Fin. Ord. Sh. \$4 n.
China O. Fin. Pref. Sh. \$20 n.
Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$300 n.
Union Ins., \$576 n.
China Underwriters, \$1 1/4 n.
China Fire, \$510 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$250 n.
International Assurance, \$6 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$10 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$9 n.

Indo-Chinas, (Prot.), \$30 n.

Indo-Chinas, (Def.), \$33 n.

Shells (Bearer), 49/42 n.

Union Waterboats, \$11 1/2 n.

Minerals.

Antamoks, 69 cts. s.

Balatoes, \$33 1/2 b.

Baguio Gold, 36 cts. n.

Bengkulu, \$32 1/4 n.

Benguet Exploration, 20 cts. n.

Benguet Goldfield, 20 cts. n.

Big Wedge, 12cts n.

Gold Creek \$3 1/2 n.

Gold River, 28 cts. n.

Ipo Mining, \$4 n.

Ilogos, \$7 n.

Kailan, 20/- n.

Lungkata (Single), \$18 1/4 n.

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Shai Loana, \$6 1/4 n.

Raubs, \$14 1/2 n.

Venz: Goldfield, \$7 n.

Books.

H.K. Wharves, \$110 n.

H.K. Docks, \$10 n.

S. China Motors, \$2 n.

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Providents, (new), 75 cts. n.

Hongkewa, (old) Sh. \$305 n.

New Engineering, Sh. \$300 n.

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H. & S. Hotels, \$5.90 b.

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Peak Trams, (old), \$16 n.

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Star Ferries, (old), \$101 n.

Yaumati Ferries, \$22 1/2 n.

C. Lights, (old), \$8.75 b.

C. Lights, (new), \$8.30 b.

H.K. Electrics, \$72 1/2 b.

Macao Electrics, \$25 n.

Sandakan Lights, \$8 n.

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H.K. Entertainments, \$7 1/2 n.

S.C. Enterprises, \$1 1/2 n.

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Macao "Greyhounds," \$2 n.

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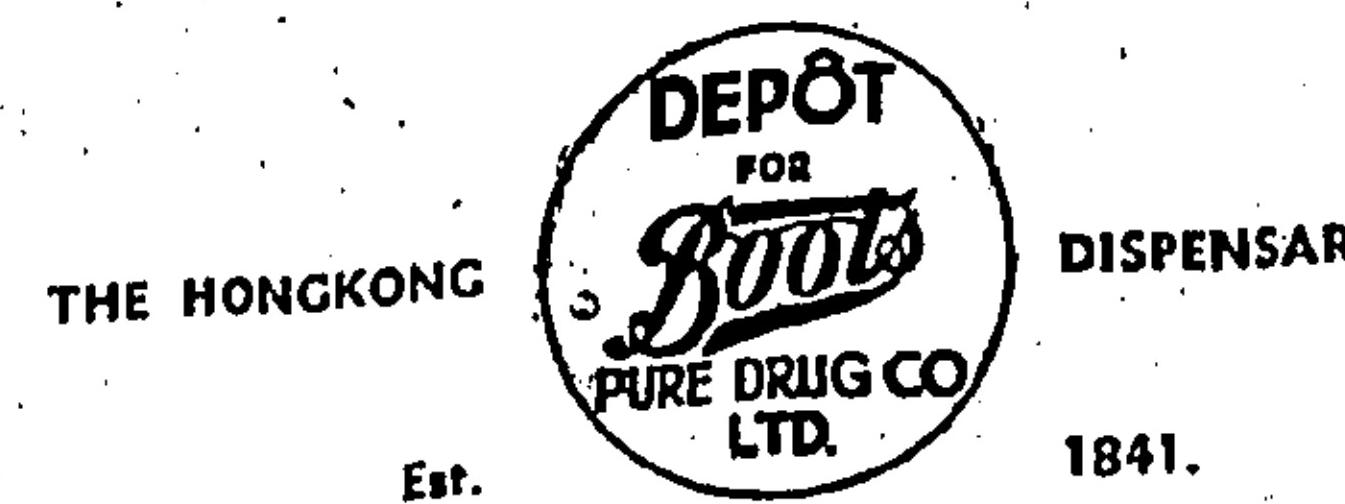
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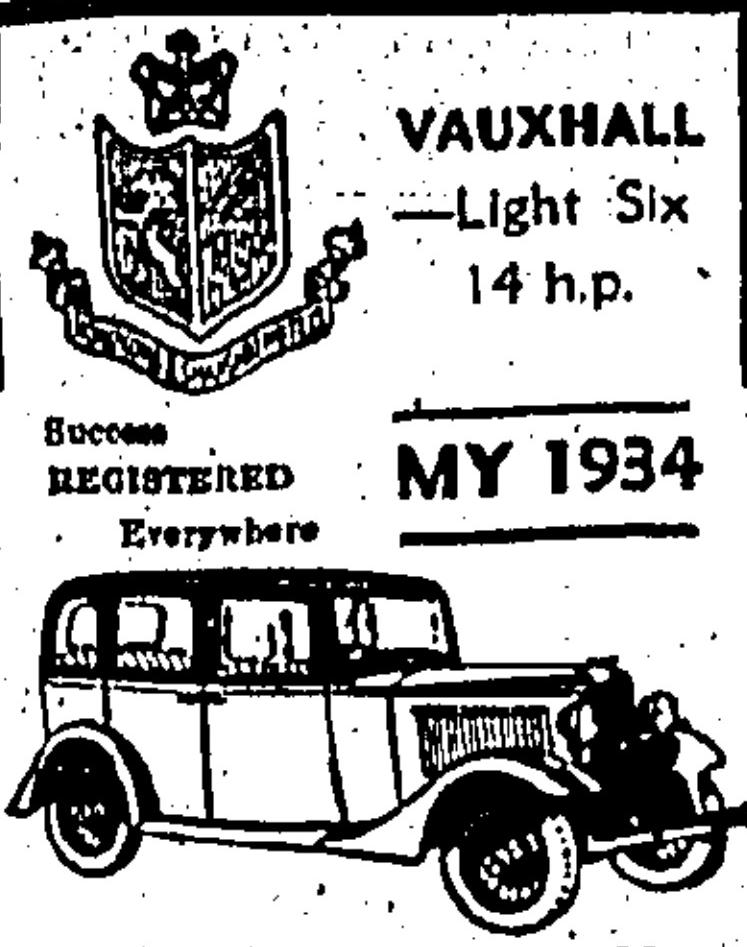
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NOTES OF THE DAY

HONGKONG MANUFACTURES

Mr. Stanley Dodwell almost did violence to sober thought in complaining of refusal by other parts of the Empire to trade with Hongkong on unpunished Ottawa lines. The charge as laid was accurate enough. The Dominions and Britain are ready enough to accept what preference we give them—which is precious little—but are not so ready to acknowledge our preferential claims when it comes to the buying of the products of our factories. As Mr. Dodwell stated, many of them place us on the same fiscal footing as Japan. Is that, however, a matter for complaint? The issue that immediately crops up is an important one when there is so much talk in the air of an extension of industrial development in the Colony. In the employment of sweat labour, Hongkong might become a greater proportionate menace to world economic stability than Japan.

SWEATED LABOUR

Hongkong has several times been singled out by critics in England as the centre of a price-cutting campaign made possible by labour conditions that would not be permitted for a moment at home, and until it is possible to say that the worst features have been removed, little claim to preferential treatment can be offered. The British Government are already dealing with the problem of preventing Hongkong from outrivaling Japan in the cheap-goods market. A Bill has been introduced in the House of Commons entitled the Regulations of Imports (Sweated Goods and Forced Labour) Bill, and has received the support of all sides of the House.

SHIFT-IN SOURCE

The question at issue is how to deal with manufacturers of sweat goods who seek to take advantage of the Ottawa agreements to ship their products from within the Empire, mainly from the East, as well as from countries outside. The Bill would enable the Import Duties Advisory Committee to deal with such "Empire" goods in exactly the same way as it now deals with similar goods from foreign countries, the sale of which in the United Kingdom represents unfair competition with British workers... Sweated goods, and goods produced by forced labour, are defined in the Bill, and provision is made for the application to them of Section 42 of the Customs Laws Consolidated Act, 1870. Action by the Import Duties Advisory Committee has reduced imports from Japan. But the reduction has been accompanied by an increase of similar imports from British Malaya, Hongkong, Singapore and elsewhere. This clearly indicates that the uneconomic competition has not been stopped... All that has happened is a shift in the source of such competition. At present, the Import Duties Advisory Committee has no power to deal with this development. The new Bill, however, does provide such powers. We should seek to remedy the cause for grievance, not to find ways round such a measure.

JAPAN'S TRADE

Japan is the only country in the world which has been expanding its foreign trade during the depression. In 1933 its trade advanced from yen 3,000,000,000 to yen 3,800,000,000, or 20 per cent. The world has suddenly woken up to the contrast. In the United States even the President himself has been studying the figures. In Britain the issue has grown into a trade war... And people are reaching for the most plausible explanation. One of these explanations is a depreciated currency. It is true that Japan has cut its currency more than other countries. The dollar is 69.00 per cent. of its old gold equivalent; the pound about 60 per cent.; but the yen is as low as 35 per cent. and none can gainsay the theoretical advantage.

BUYER AS WELL

Nevertheless, that is not all the story by long way. Since the trek from the gold standard started, the world has learned a good deal about the effects of depreciation on foreign trade. One is that it works just so long as the nation traded with allows it to work. Almost every important country has a series of extra-tariff barriers intended to keep out this kind of competition. Why, then, have Japanese goods been let in? The reason is that, while Japan has been underselling its competitors in so-called "neutral" markets, it has been buying in those markets. This is a much greater factor than a depreciated currency in accounting for Japan's success. In the world of sellers, Japan has appeared as both seller and buyer, and markets are not able to "shut out" goods from a country which is willing to extend its buying. Rather they are going to divert business to it.

MR. PEPYS IN HONGKONG

BULLS AND INNERS

From the Office Butts

A lady travelling in the Peak this afternoon, loudly confessed that she was a cubist. Strangely enough, she tries to move in the best circles.

Watching a pretty little blonde tanning to swim at Repulse Bay just week-end, reminded us that boys will be boys.

The other afternoon a young lady was soon absorbed in beach pyjamas. A pretty cool customer.

We sympathise with the local dentist who will pull his shots at Happy Valley.

When making an appointment with a certain specialist, MacWhirter enquired when he would be free.

Mosquitoes are said to be particularly bad on the Peak. Even so, the fact that they are also found down in Kowloon proves that there are no depths to which they will not descend.

As a hobby, we think that breeding mosquitoes must be anophele rash business.

We understand that a certain young man proposed to his fiancee on a raft at Repulse Bay. Their friends are now doubtless waiting for the rafters to ring.

"Pedestrians and motorists must make peace," says a writer. But motorists have made peace for quite a number of pedestrians already.

Cheaper drugs are advertised. In other words, morphia money!

Burglars recently ransacked a shoemaker's shop in Yaumati. As was to be expected, the shopkeeper lost his awl.

A local racing expert says it takes a considerable time for anyone to understand the Turf. Yes, one has to learn bet by bet.

A London newspaper quotes the case of a man of 90 playing bowls. Well, it's never too late to bend!

A bachelor says some of the modern women's bathing costumes are too funny for words. Brevity, of course, being the soul of wit.

London is to spend £10,000 on the elimination of street noises. "Hush" money.

We notice that a cordial invitation was extended the other day in connection with a certain event. Rather disappointing to those who prefer strong liquor.

It strikes us that once the leg theory problem is properly settled, we shall be able to call them safe matches.

It has been discovered that a local shroff has misappropriated money from every bill he handled. Embezzling from all accounts!

Motoring Encyclopaedia.

REAR BLIND.—Colloquial term for stepping on the gas in reverse.

RELIABILITY TRIAL.—The first three years of marriage.

SCREW.—Talpans have the largest.

SEIZING.—Action taken when insufficient reasons are given for non-payment of car instalment.

SHOCK-ABSORBER.—Water buffalo on the Taipo Road.

SIDE LIGHTS.—The scandal the women discuss in the back seat.

CUSTOM-BUILT BODY.—Embonpoint caused through bonding the elbow too frequently.

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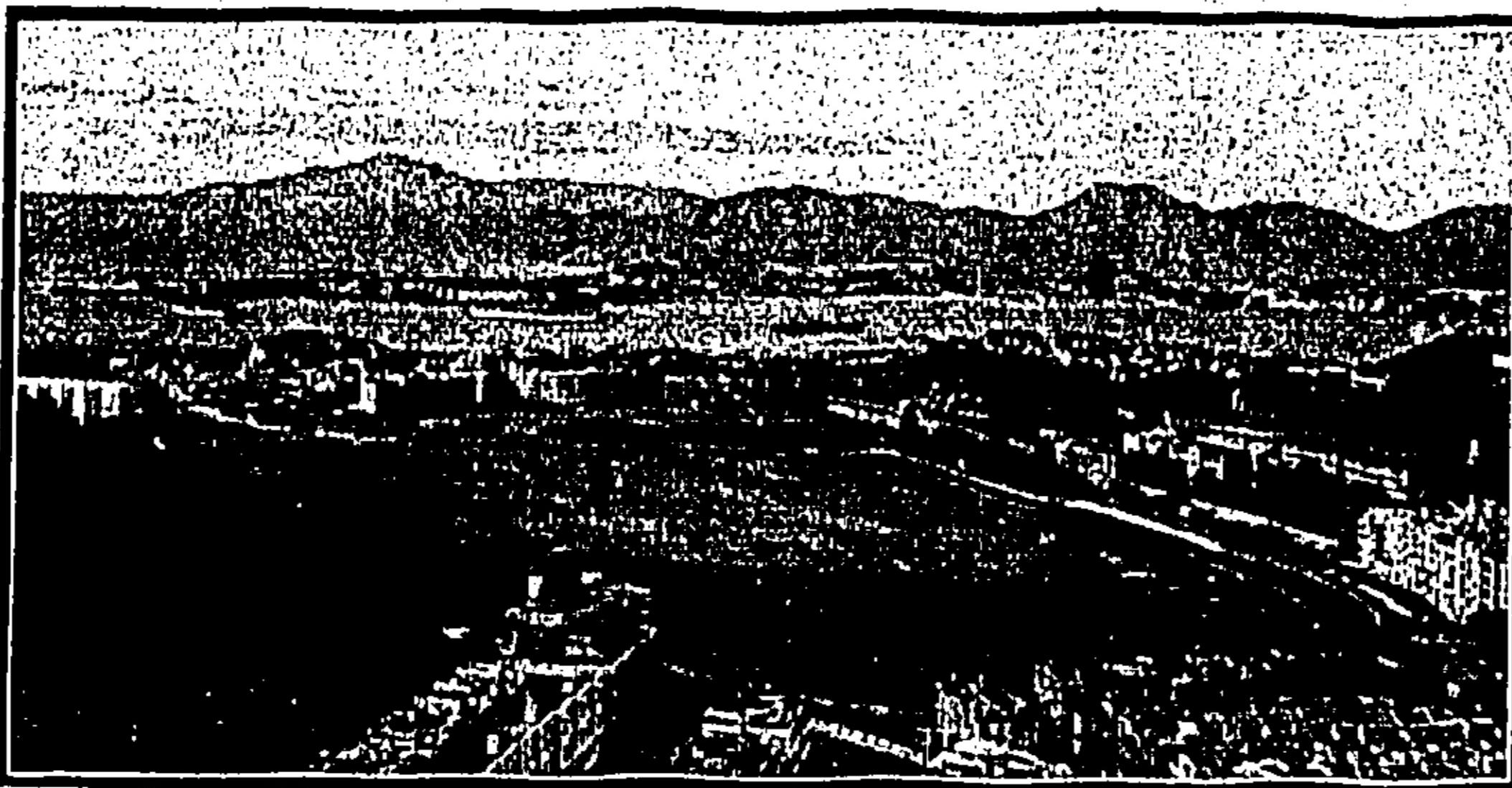
"Little Mother"—an entry in the Chinese Studies Section of the "Telegraph" Amateur Photo Competition.



A striking cloud study taken by Mr. C. W. Jeffries, Director of the Royal Observatory, on an infra-red plate supplied by the Ilford Co., Ltd.



Here is another most effective cloud study photographed by Mr. Jeffries on Ilford infrared plate.



An effective picture of Happy Valley, with the harbour and Kowloon Hills in background, entered in Section 4 of the "Telegraph" Photo Competition.



This study has been entered in Section 4 of the "Telegraph" Photo Competition.



"Village Tuck Shop," entered in the Story Telling Section of the "Telegraph" Photo Competition.



Dorothy Hall, who secured a pass in the First Step section of the Trinity College of Music examination. She is, like the other four girls whose portraits appear on this page, a pupil of the Rose of Lima's College, Macao.



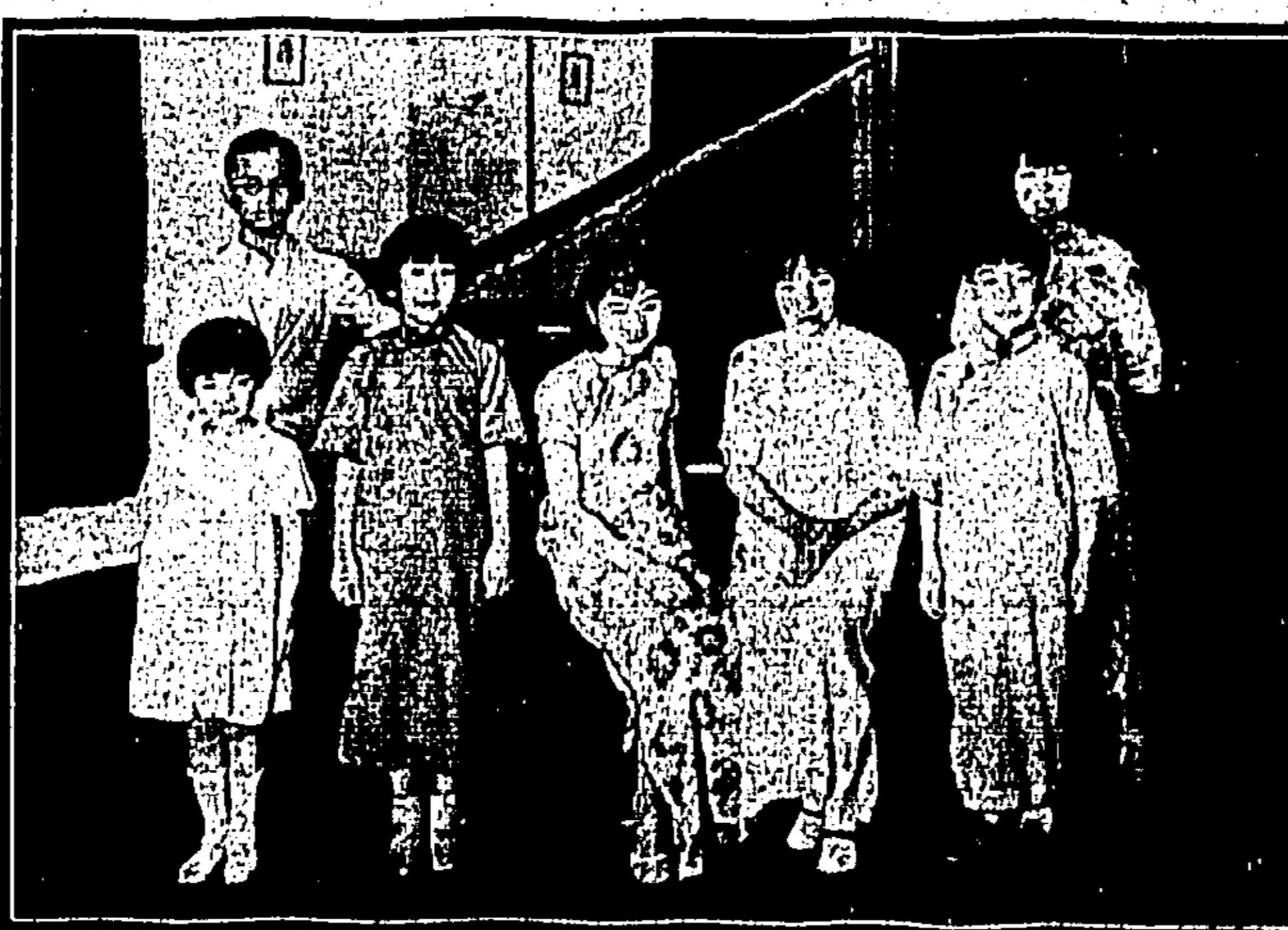
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Alina Rodrigues, of Macao, who won honours in the Preparatory division of the Trinity College examinations.



M. de Lourdes Borges, of Macao, who passed in the Advanced Preparatory division of the Trinity College examinations.



Here are seen Hongkong candidates who secured honours in the Trinity College of Music examinations and who recently gave broadcast programmes from ZBW studio. They are Lee Kit-ying, Ellen Chau, Amy Wang, Leung Yim-wa, Annette Chen, Luk Sau-hin and Lee Kwok-wai. (Photo: Ming Yuan).



Olivia Lobo, of Macao, who passed in the Junior division of the Trinity College examinations.



Natacha Lobo, who passed the Trinity College initial examinations.

New Styles for 1934 Beaches

by Julia



THIS seersucker bathing suit of red, blue and brown plaid has a halter-neckline top, and shorts that can be worn separately with other blouses. The matching beach dress consists of a short-sleeved jacket and a skirt that is buttoned down the front.

PERFECT for lakeide or seashore is this three-piece jersey pajama outfit which features a halter bodice, full pants and a double-breasted jacket. It's navy blue with interesting white nautical touches.

Bathing suit, slacks-and-blouse combination or gay pajamas—all of these are bright with color and fascinating in their design

BLUE COTTON shorts, a tailored shirt of gold-colored woolen and a gold jersey cap make up this pert little beach outfit. The beach bag is of yellow and white striped cloth.

THE fervour of spring fever days is nothing compared to the undercurrents of excitement that go on right now when summer week-ends are being planned.

It's a fascinating business. If you're a bit sceptical about that, wait until you've fêted your eyes on some of the creations that are waiting to be picked out of the beach accessory shops!

The minute you look at a row of bathing suits, you'll realize that the beaches are going to be pretty blue. From darkest navy to palest baby blue tones, blue leads all other shades in bathing suits. And then there are the flattering peach and coral colours and rust, brown, vivid greens and white.

Skirtless swim suits are in high favour, particularly those little notions that feature baby pants and brassiere tops. The dressmaker varieties include tunic styles and many are made of taffeta.

Speaking of fabrics, novelty knits are emphasized and so are silk bathing suits and those of printed, crinkled rubber. You can get trunks and then vary the tops to suit your mood. One day you might like a regular brassiere top and, the next afternoon, gay bandannas tucked into the front of the trunks and tied, halter fashion, about your neck.

Trunks remind us of the vogue for shorts. If your figure will permit, by all means buy shorts. These come in flannel with plats on the sides and in rough linen, cottons and novelty woollens.

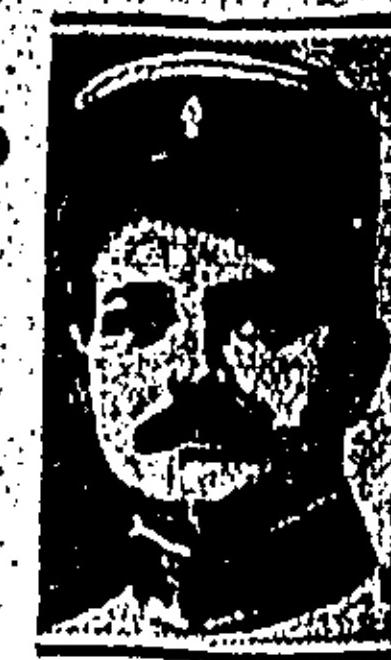
Shorts and shirts with matching skirts promise to be important this summer. But if you can't picture yourself in shorts, look at the beach pyjamas in flamboyant Mexican colours. Some have boleros, brilliant sashes, fringed pyjamas and very often, matching hats that are true copies of a Mexican's sombrero.

One-piece pyjama costumes aren't nearly as amusing as slacks and separate shirts or blouses. Look for slacks with matching double-breasted coats. These have a charming nautical air about them.

Incidentally, nautical motifs decorate some of the smartest swim suits, shorts and beach pyjamas. Look for anchors on the pockets and red, white and blue stripes on the sleeves.

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THE SENSATIONAL CASE OF THE "DOSSIER FROGE"

MEMORIES OF TERRIBLE "AFFAIRE DREYFUS" STIR ALL FRANCE AS ANOTHER HERO-CAPTAIN IS "PERSECUTED"—THEN FREED ON ESPIONAGE CHARGES

BY MORRIS GILBERT

Suspicion, fear, possibility of double-crossing on France's eastern frontier, where the great new fortifications loom toward Germany, may be responsible for an espionage case which now turns the minds of Frenchmen back to the days of the terrible, the shattering "affaire Dreyfus."

Had it not been for the prompt, trenchant action of one of France's greatest criminal lawyers, Maitre Jean Charles Legrand, an innocent man—a captain like Dreyfus—might have been railroaded on the charge most hateful to gallant citizens or soldiers, namely treason.

As it is, the "affaire Froge" has been troubling people here—Captain Georges Froge, of the commissary service, not least—for a year. Its conclusion is at hand, and Froge is cleared of suspicions.

It remains to learn who, or what group, was responsible for what might have developed into one of the major scandals of French military annals.

POSITION OF TRUST.

Captain Froge had a sterling war record. Twice a volunteer in the infantry, he won the rank of Chevallier of the Legion of Honour, the Military Cross, and the Croix de Guerre with three citations.

The war ended, he was chosen as the man most worthy to carry the battle flag of his regiment in the great victory parade in Paris.

Later he served in Morocco during military operations, and was then made a captain and assigned to serve as instructor at the military school at St. Maloent. He moved them into the commissary department, because of a grave illness caught in Morocco.

As a commissary officer he was presently stationed at Belfort, a post on the eastern borders of France. The big new fortifications were going up there, as well as further north. Froge was in a position of trust.

CLEARED OF ACCUSATIONS.

The case dragged on. Froge was accused of having received two registered letters coming from spies. He was grilled thirteen hours to bring a confession, but refused to do so. He was able to



Dawn . . . and death . . . the fate of the spy.

prove that he had never signed for accuser, that the man had been . . . tions, of having written to foreign such letters. Froge wrung a con . . . coached in identifying Froge by agents concerning meeting places. Two other accusa . . . presumably for the exchange of in-

formation, were made against him, both apparently implausible.

Maitre Legrand's insistence won the day for Captain Froge. He is now cleared of all charges.

MYSTERY REMAINS.

But certain quarters in Paris are raising the question: How did it all commence? Why did individuals or groups send emissaries to Froge to offer him acquittal of all accusations if, in return, he would get rid of his lawyer?

And how explain the curious episode when an individual called at Froge's office and, by some dexterous work, managed to steal two valueless papers? When captured, he explained that he was a believer in Froge, and wanted to prove that papers could be stolen from that office without Froge's connivance.

The similarity of apparent persecution is striking in the case of Froge and that more famous one of Captain Dreyfus, who spent so many years on Devil's Island after a series of trials that shook France and resulted in the strict anti-clerical laws of this nation early in the present century.

WHAT IS ESPIONAGE?

Thus, uncertainly, ends another of the espionage cases which have stirred Europe in the last year. What, really, is espionage to-day?

Let us go to a gloomy building in the ominous Rue de Squaules. Here is the nerve-centre of the police investigation work of France—the "Sûreté Générale."

Here is done the job of protecting France from all sorts of dangers, foreign and domestic. The stone courtyards are damp and unadorned. The stairs leading to the espionage bureau are steep and winding.

"Espionage is a legal offence"—a gentleman with a cultivated voice and manner is speaking—"which is treated by the police in just the same way as any other legal offence. It exists, just the way robbery exists. And it is the duty of policemen to prevent it, to force it, if possible, and to make arrests and bring charges when occasion demands.

"Please get straight the distinction between 'espionage' and 'treason.' The first is a simple crime, the second a double one, because the idea of nationality enters. A Chinese might be a spy, but he would not be a traitor unless he did his spying in China. A Frenchman or an Englishman or his own government would be a traitor. If he were working in a foreign country, he would be merely a spy."

ALL NOT IN MILITARY SERVICE. "Of course," the man with the quiet voice went on, from behind his desk, "when the public thinks of spying it usually thinks of theft of military or naval secrets. Actually, spying is much broader than that.

"There is commercial spying for instance—the theft of trade secrets, patents, processes of manufacture, formulae,

"There is financial spying, banking espionage, stock market espionage, the peddling of secrets of high finance—a very fertile field.

"There is professional spying—spying into the secrets of medicine, therapeutic remedies and systems, methods of work. In architecture, too, for instance—now engineering methods, construction methods.

"There is artistic espionage—spying into secrets of artists of various kinds, painters, sculptors who use a new technique, glass-makers who have their own individual processes, etc.

"A field perhaps fully as dramatic as national defence is that of international diplomacy. 'B' country may be extremely anxious to learn what 'A' country will do under certain circumstances. Maybe the circumstances won't have anything to do with war. They may concern commercial treaties, tariffs, quotas. There is no doubt that this kind of espionage is very generally practiced. Perhaps there is no recognized power on earth which does not employ secret agents for these purposes—or at least is interested in having the information supplied."

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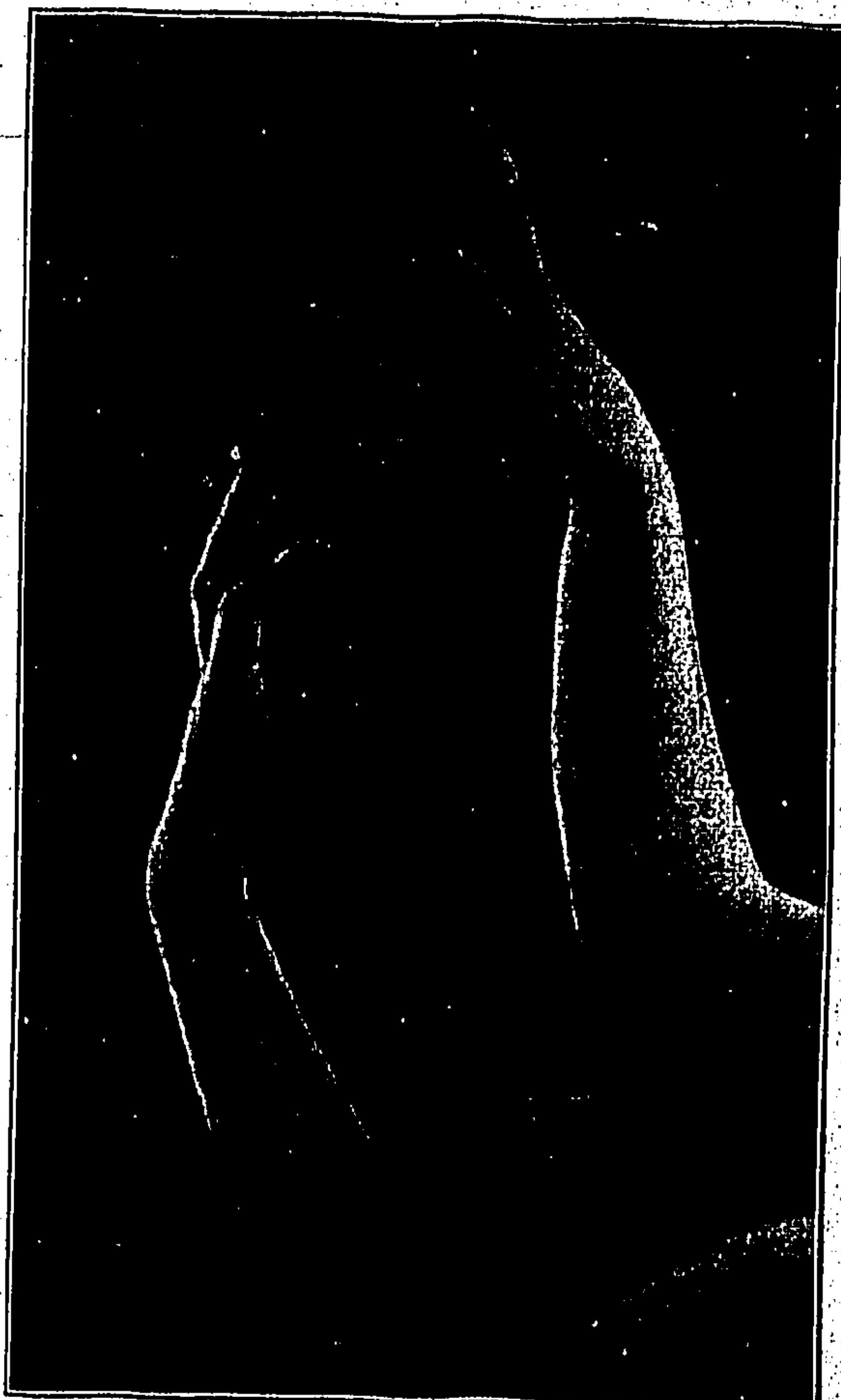
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Bridal group at the wedding of Mr. Woo Pak-kwai, youngest son of the late Mr. Woo Hay-tung, and Miss Lillian Eu, daughter of Mr. Eu Tong-sen. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



The 4th Hongkong Company of Girl Guides (Bellios Public School), winners of the Prince of Wales' Banner for 1934. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



The above group was taken after the wedding at Hop Yat Church of Mr. Wong Ka-tong and Miss Lau Mo-won. (Photo: Hollywood Studio).

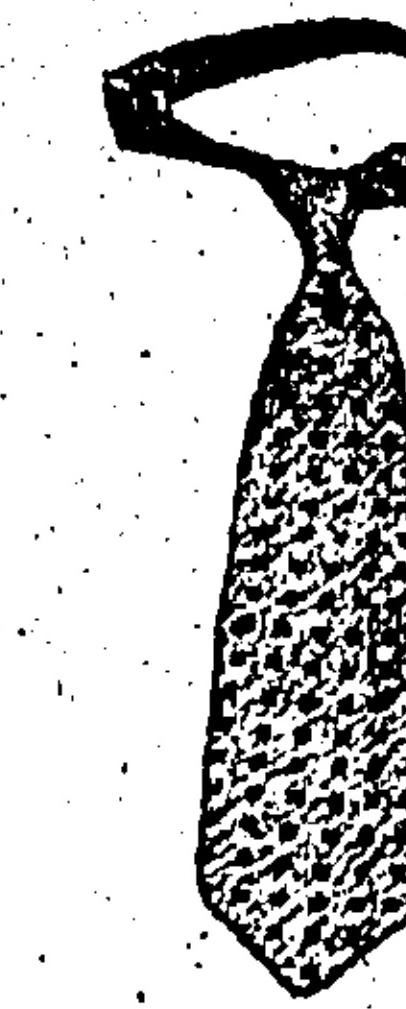
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Miss D. Westland was given away by the Hon. Sir Thomas Southorn when she was married to Mr. L. Gasper last Saturday. The above group was taken after the wedding. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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MR. JAMES KERR PASSES AWAY

FORMER A.S.P. IN HONGKONG

FIRST TO RISE FROM RANKS

Widespread regret will be felt locally at the news of the death of Mr. James Kerr, former Assistant Superintendent of Police in Hongkong, which occurred in Melbourne on Thursday.

The late Mr. Kerr retired from the Force in 1925 after 35 years' service, in which he had the unique experience of being the first officer to rise from the ranks to the position of A.S.P. Of a charming and cheerful disposition, Mr. Kerr earned the goodwill and admiration of all with whom he came in contact during the his lengthy residence in the Colony, and his death will be greatly deplored by all who remember his service here.

When he retired to Australia just over eight years ago, Mr. Kerr had had associations with the Far East extending over a period of



about 40 years. Born in Liverpool, he went to Australia with his parents when quite young and, on leaving school, was apprenticed on board a ship running out of Sydney to the China Coast. He visited China and Japan and was familiar with the ports from Newchow right down to Rangoon.

TYPHOON EXPERIENCE.

Finally, in 1890, he was on board the sailing ship Nicoya which, when south of Hongkong, was struck by a very severe typhoon. There were anxious hours of battling with the fury of the storm, but the ship survived and put into Hongkong for extensive repairs. The vessel was to be in dock for about three months and the crew were all paid off.

It was while living ashore here and waiting for his ship to be ready again that Mr. Kerr applied for a temporary post at the Gaol, then being advertised, and, instead, was offered a chance to join the force, in the Water Police. That was in October, 1890, and Mr. Kerr, staying on, served in the force for 36 years. Those were the old sailing ships days, when the harbour was full of clippers, barques and brigantines and the sight of a steam ship was a rarity.

WATER POLICE SERVICE.

For the majority of his years of service in the force, Mr. Kerr was closely connected with the Water Police. With but short intervals, he served in that department until he went home on leave in 1895 and came back to rejoin it. He was made Acting Sergeant in 1897, full Sergeant in 1899, Third Class Inspector in 1902, Second Class Inspector in 1906, and Acting First Class Inspector in 1909. The confirmed rank of First Class Inspector was gained in 1910. In the meantime, Mr. Kerr had been in charge of the Water Police Station, in charge of No. 2 Police Station (Wanchai) and in charge of Yaumati. He had also been to Australia and got married.

GREAT HONOUR.

After further years of conscientious duty, Mr. Kerr was, in 1915 appointed to the post of Chief Inspector, as successor to Chief Inspector Gourlay, and he held that rank for seven years, until 1922. For a spell (in 1919) he had acted as Assistant Superintendent of Police, and in 1922 came the great honour of being permanently promoted to the rank of A.S.P. Up to that time there had only been one previously known case in which an officer from the ranks had risen to senior position, this being Mr. Horrell, who joined the force as a Sergeant from the London police and who, later, rose to the rank of D.S.P.

While driving through Queen's Road East yesterday, Mr. T. H. Goldman, of the Royal Naval Yard, Police, was unable to avoid a Chinese woman who got into the way of his motor-cycle, and she was knocked down by the machine and injured about the leg. The victim was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

CORRESPONDENCE

Our Friend the Dog.

To the Editor, *Hongkong Telegraph.*

Sir.—Now that the hot weather is approaching, I would make a plea for our best friends—our dogs. Plenty of fresh, cool water should always be available in the house or kennel, and the receptacle, scrupulously clean, must be kept away from the sun's rays.

It is interesting to know that at the Kennel Club Show, held at the Crystal Palace, London, last October, there were five men with no other duty than to see that the dogs were always supplied with water. If that regulation were considered necessary in a cold country like England, how much more important that the creatures' welfare be studied in the Tropics.

Think of the pleasure our dogs give us and the little they ask in return! A man's dog is his fast and unselfish friend, one that never proves ungrateful or unkind. A dog endears himself to his owner, and his value cannot be measured in dollars or cents. But water he must have.

CONTRIBUTED.

S.P.C. Thanks

Sir.—On behalf of the Women's Auxiliary of the Society for the Protection of Children, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the President (Mr. Luk Ol-wan) and Members of the South China Athletic Association, and all who supported them, for their splendid efforts in raising such a substantial sum as \$726.44 for the Society. That the Swimming Gala should have been so successful, after a short time for preparation, is sufficient indication of the energy and keen enthusiasm displayed by Mr. M. K. Lo and his many helpers.

MAY HICKS.

Dangerous Road.

To the Editor, *Hongkong Telegraph.*

Sir.—Having in mind the serious motor accident on Thursday last at "Orme's Bay" which resulted in loss of life, I should like to call attention to the danger that the bend in the road at the western end of this bay, offers to motor traffic.

It is impossible to foresee what obstruction there may be round the curve, especially when returning to Kowloon, or what outgoing cars will be passing here.

It is also impossible for those to see what is coming around the curve, when parking or pulling out at this place. It is obvious that cars in turning in or out here stand a chance of being hit by one (or even two) vehicles, due to the narrow road and obstructed view, thus compelling a car to run down the hillside to "avoid a collision."

This bend, I consider, is the most dangerous along the Castle Peak Road, and with ever-increasing motor traffic, it seems that to avoid future disasters it is very necessary to improve several existing dangerous curves along this popular road.

I notice that many new parking places are being made, and it is to be hoped that the Public Works Department will seriously consider this matter whilst workmen are in this vicinity.

PRO-BONO PUBLICO.

Observatory returns for May show that the average mean temperature was 70.7, the highest being 90.1 and the lowest 65.9. There were 139 hours of sunshine and 8.73 inches of rain, while the average humidity was 81.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

THE IGNORANT CLASSES ARE THE DANGEROUS CLASSES. IGNORANCE IS THE WOMB OF MONSTERS.—Henry Ward Beecher.

A woman, Sui Choo-tai, threw herself from Murray Pier yesterday, but was rescued by a boatman, and sent to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from shock.

The Ladies' Club, 1st Battalion, South Wales Borderers, will hold their fortnightly Whist Drive and Tombola in the Murray Barracks on Saturday, June 24, at 8 p.m.

The speaker at Tuesday's meeting of the Rotary Club will be Rotarian P. S. Cawley, who will take up his subject, "A Layman's view of Housing and Town Planning."

An order made under the Importation and Exportation Ordinance provides that no person shall, except under an export permit granted by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, export from the Colony any sand.

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ITALY AND GERMANY AGREE

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understanding reached between Signor Mussolini and Herr Hitler is based upon four points, namely, (1) an agreement of a general character, including plans for frequent personal contacts and correspondence between the two statesmen;

(2) recognition of the independence of Austria, but without a guarantee by either party, and with Germany declaring that she will not give countenance to terrorist activities in Austria;

LEAGUE RETURN.

(3) an expression of Germany's willingness to return to the League of Nations provided her full rights of parity in armaments are recognised;

(4) identity of views and understanding for stimulating the trade of the Danubian countries.

In regard to Austria, the basis of the agreement is the concession by Germany of Italy's wishes, in return for a *quid pro quo* regarding the League and armaments.

Count Clano, Assistant Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, formerly Minister in China, said that the agreement represented the state of mind of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini. It meant that Germany would virtually abandon Anschluss as a policy.

JOBLIFICATIONS.

Hitler entertained Mussolini to dinner at the Grand Hotel tonight.

After the dinner, Hitler and Mussolini left separately for the Excelsior Hotel where a gala evening was held, the statesmen talking animatedly while watching members of the Italian aristocracy dancing.

Hitler left to return to the Grand Hotel at 11.40 p.m.—Reuters.

EXCHANGE RATES

	June 14.	June 15.
Paris.....	76.11/32	76.15/32
Geneva.....	15.62	15.54
Berlin.....	13.27/14	13.24
Helsingfors.....	22.04	22.03
Oslo.....	19.90/3	19.90/3
Athens.....	527	527
Milan.....	58.9/16	58.9/16
Buenos Aires.....	36 1/2	36 1/2
Shanghai.....	1.4/3	1.3/3
New York.....	5.04/3	5.04/3
Amsterdam.....	7.43	7.43
Tokio.....	2.27	2.27
Prague.....	12.14	12.14
Budapest.....	505	505
Madrid.....	36 1/2	36 1/2
Hongkong.....	1.5/4	1.5/4
Brussels.....	21.58	21.61
Stockholm.....	19.40	19.40
Copenhagen.....	32.39/4	22.39/4
Lisbon.....	110	110
Bombay.....	1.0/3/64	1.6/3/04
Rio.....	4 1/2	4 1/2
Yokohama.....	1.2/14	1.2/14
Montevideo.....	.38 1/2	.38 1/2
Belgrade.....	.222	.222
Montreal.....	5.00/3	5.00/3
Silver (spot).....	19.34	19.16
Silver (forward).....	19.15/16	19.7/16
War Loan.....	102.9/16	102.9/16

—British Wireless.

NEW MINISTER

London, June 16. H. M. the King has approved the appointment of Mr. F. E. F. Adam, Counsellor at His Majesty's Embassy at Lisbon, to be Minister at Panama and Costa Rica.—British Wireless.

H. E. the Governor has appointed Mr. J. F. Ardon to be a member of the Authorised Architects Committee Mr. O. A. G. St. John-Kneller.

London, June 16. Mrs. G. Miskin returned to the Colony from Shanghai yesterday morning by the Rawalpindi.

One case of typhoid and two cases of meningitis were reported to the health authorities on Thursday.

There will be a Dinner Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel to-night and a Tea Dance to-morrow at 4.30 p.m.

The wedding is announced to take place shortly of Mr. Stanley Leonard Lee of 120, Prince Edward Road, and Miss Rose Iris Kay of 437, Shanghai Street.

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FREE PORT STATUS

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industrialised, or for the purpose of correcting the balance of trade.

Bilateral trade agreements have not always the benefits they at first appear to have—"the most favoured nations clause" so often crops up, taking away what at first appeared a real advantage.

1942 DECLARATION.

The early declarations of Captain Elliot and others when taking over the Colony in 1842 cannot be lost sight of. The Port of Hongkong was declared free to the flag of all nations and a general indication of free port status given. I can give you details, should you so desire.

NOT A PRODUCER.

Hongkong is not a producer of any primary commodities such as iron, tin, coal, copper, silver, cotton, wool, silk, tea, rubber, oil, etc. If she were, then it would be an advantage to adopt a highly protective system, whereby industries could be built up for the purpose of using her primary commodities to advantage.

WHAT IS HONGKONG'S ADVANTAGE?

Surely in being a distributing centre for the whole of South China, ships of great depth come here because they cannot go elsewhere; it is an advantage to the distributor to be able to keep his goods out of bond, break bulk, and wait for a favourable market in the interior; it is essential that port charges, the expenses of handling cargo, and the general taxation to be paid, should be at the minimum and it is most desirable that wages should be low and the cost of living as economical as possible. Under what conditions would such circumstances be more likely to exist under our free-port principles or with high protective tariffs? I cannot help thinking that the answer is "Our present free port system."

If you have a high protective tariff on a number of articles, it would call for a large staff of officials, bonded godowns, together with a very complicated system of drawbacks.

PROSPERITY BASIS.

I am inclined to think that the foundation of the prosperity of this Colony rests upon the harbour and the harbour alone, together with the industries arising by reason thereof.

Surely the industrialisation which has taken place in the past few years in lines such as knitting factories, the manufacture of sweetmeats, rubber shoes, torches and a number of other things is due

(a) To the disturbed conditions in South China,

(b) To settled conditions in Hongkong, and, until recently

(c) The low Chinese tariffs.

The position has altered. South China has experienced more settled conditions in the past two or three years than she has had for the past 20 years; the settled conditions in Hongkong still remain, but China has now a high protective tariff with a view to fostering her new industrial re-organisation scheme.

PREFERENCE BY CHINA?

One must not lose sight of the fact that the industries of Hongkong are largely what might be called cottage industries, that is to say, carried on in the ground floors of dwelling houses.

The industrialisation of Hongkong outside the port industries has, in my opinion, been largely artificially based on unsettled conditions in China.

I can see no reason why the Chinese Government should not be asked, and very strongly pressed, to give preferential tariffs to Hongkong, in respect of Hongkong manufacturers, having regard to its free port status as compared with other highly protected countries.

W. E. L. SHENTON

RADIO BROADCAST

WEEK-END BROADCAST

VIOLIN AND PIANOFORTE RECITAL

ENGLAND WINS WIGHTMAN CUP DOUBLES MATCH

Miss Lyle & Miss Dearman Perform Well



Miss Dearman and Miss Nancy Lyle (left) who yesterday beat Miss Babcock and Miss Cruickshank in the Wightman Cup.

BETTER COMBINATION THAN AMERICANS

ERRATIC MISS BABCOCK LOSES TWO SET POINTS

MISS JACOB'S SLASHING REVENGE FOR FRENCH SINGLES DEFEAT

AMERICA LEADS 2-1 AT CLOSE

America leads England by two matches to one as a result of yesterday's opening play in the Wightman Cup tennis contest at Wimbledon. The visitors captured both the singles, Miss Dorothy Round, England's leading player, surprisingly admitting defeat to Miss Sarah Palfrey, and Miss Margaret Scriven being absolutely outclassed by Miss Helen Jacobs.

English stock recovered when the new doubles combination, Miss E. M. Dearman and Miss Nancy Lyle overcame Miss C. Babcock and Miss Cruickshank.

The detailed scores of the matches were:

SINGLES.
Miss Sarah Palfrey (U.S.A.) beat Miss D. Round (England) 6-3, 3-6, 8-6.
Miss H. Jacobs (U.S.A.) beat Miss M. C. Scriven (England) 6-1, 6-1.

DOUBLES.
Miss E. M. Dearman and Miss N. Lyle (England) beat Miss C. Babcock and Miss Cruickshank (U.S.A.) 7-5, 7-5.

In describing the manner in which Miss Jacobs beat Miss Scriven in the second singles of the day, *Reuter* states that the American girl gained a remarkable revenge for her defeat by Miss Scriven in the final of the French Championship.

She outclassed and outplayed Miss Scriven, who touched her poorest form.

The English girl had little control over her driving, and in the first set Miss Jacobs went to four love. Miss Scriven then improved slightly to win a game, but the American was right on top and went to her points with ease.

In the second set Miss Jacobs again jumped into a commanding lead of three-love, and Miss Scriven went all out to recover. She won a game, but was unable to cope with the American champion's brilliant all-round game which carried her through to another 6-1 set.

THE DOUBLES.

Honours in the doubles match which followed went to the English pair, Miss Dearman and Miss Lyle. Although making their initial appearance together in a Wightman Cup match, they combined beautifully.

In sharp contrast the Americans, Miss Babcock and Miss Cruickshank lacked harmony.

Miss Babcock was very unsteady overhead, and her lack of soundness in that department enabled the English girls to stage two very important recoveries when things looked black for them.

In the first set the visitors held set point at 5-4, but Miss Babcock failed with smashes, and the Eng-



A new photograph of Miss D. Round and Miss M. C. Scriven, who were both beaten yesterday in Wightman Cup singles.

YET ANOTHER CENTURY FOR "PATSY" HENDREN

SUSSEX FLOG SURREY

CONSOLATION WIN FOR KENT

NORTHANTS MANAGE DRAW

London, June 15. Sussex retained their hold of the county cricket leadership, to-day by soundly beating Surrey to the tune of nine wickets. However Kent kept pace with them with an easy victory over Worcester, and Yorkshire had previously collected 15 points, so that the three leading positions in the table remain unchanged.

Middlesex and Lancashire gained decisive wins which are somewhat rare to them, the former putting Glamorgan on the spot, and the Lancastrians completely dominating Hampshire.

"Patsy" Hendren, whose batting this year has easily been the most outstanding feature of first class cricket, compiled another century, and others who assisted towards the huge Middlesex total of 476 for 6 declared were Huime, the Arsenal footballer, who hit up 103, and G. O. Allen, who, according to reports is now quite fit. He collected a merry 112 not out.

Glamorgan were always in the toils at the wicket. Their first venture earned for them the poor score of 162, and following on they did little better, only 202 accruing from their efforts.

Lancashire's first knock of 357 was sufficient to upset Hampshire, who could only collect 241 and in their second attempt were sent back for 169. Hopwood wrought the damage on that occasion, capturing 6 for 45.

SUSSEX ENJOY THEMSELVES.

Sussex, the team of big scores, enjoyed themselves at the expense of Surrey. Surrey's first innings knock of 280 held no terrors for the Sussex lads, who responded with 425 for 5 declared. J. Parks and John Langridge were the leading lights.

London, June 15. Mrs. Fearnley Whittingstall is to have a new mixed doubles partner at Wimbledon this year. He is Ian Bailey, a fellow member of the Melbury Club.

Bailey is over six feet in height and a hard hitter. In a practice match at Melbury recently he and Mrs. Whittingstall gave two men players a very close game.

Until last year Mrs. Whittingstall played with Henri Cochet. They never won at Wimbledon, but secured both the French and American mixed doubles titles. The American title has only once previously been won by an overseas pair—J. B. Hawkes and Mrs. Godfree—although Perry won it in 1932 with Miss Sarah Palfrey, a member of this year's American Wightman Cup team.

Kent made amends to the Tonbridge crowd for their defeat by Warwickshire, by easily accounting for Worcester in the second match of the festival.

Kent again indulged in some free scoring, their first innings 344 and their second 304 for 6 declared. Worcester could only respond with 278 and 192.

A. W. Carr made one of his all too rare centuries for Notts, and

BEST PERFORMANCE.

BATTING.

Langridge, J. (Sussex) v Surrey 100
Hammond (Gloster) v Derby 134

Parke, J. (Sussex) v Surrey 122
Hendren (Middlesex) v Glamorgan 114

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A. W. Carr (Notts) v Essex 107

Bakewell (Northants) v Australia 53

Timms (Northants) v Australia 50

*Indicates not out.

BOWLING.

Hopwood (Lancs) v Hampshire 6 for 45

Fleetwood-Smith (Australia) v Northants 5 for 29

P. Smith (Essex) v Notts 5 for 48

Larwood (Notts) v Essex 5 for 50

Matthews (Northants) v Australia 5 for 87

PHIL MEAD MARVEL OF THE AGE

MASTERLY AGAINST AUSSIES

Describing Philip Mead as the marvel of the age, the *New Chronicle* says that he and Geoffrey Lowndes, the new captain of Hampshire, took heavy toll from the Australian bowlers and gave huge delight to the crowd.

The famous left-hander, at the ripe age of 47, scored the 143rd century of his career. Lowndes also topped the hundred, and the gallant pair had the distinction of putting on 247 for the fourth wicket in just under three hours.

In the absence of Grimmett, Wall and Ebdeling the attack of the tourists suffered a considerable weakness and the leading actors of Hampshire took swift advantage.

Lowndes drove in a manner reminiscent of the true Eton style and when caught off his skier he had not only hit three 0's—two in an over at the expense of McCabe—but twenty 4's as the result of a superb display of hitting. Lowndes is the son of an old Buckinghamshire family and who succeeded Lord Tennyson in the captaincy this year, got his Blue for Oxford in 1921, and this was his second and highest century of the year.

Mead, who stayed 3½ hours and hit fifteen 4's, made his runs at various periods much quicker than is usual for him, and on the log side he was very strong. He—not only placed all his strokes with rare skill, but drove cleverly, nor did the veteran forget to illustrate the cut.

As long ago as 1911-12 Mead made his first trip to Australia, and the second visit occurred in 1928-9 at a period when the older generation "down under" laboured under the delusion that the M.C.C. had sent Mead's son and not the great original.

The attendance reached 10,000 and the sum of £20,500 taken at the gate was a record for an Australian match at Southampton.

Larwood backed up his skipper by taking 5 for 50, so that Notts beat Essex rather easily.

Northants managed to stave off defeat against the Australians, but they were lucky to do so, the close finding them 198 runs in arrears with one wicket outstanding.

Brown reached his century as

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FRED PERRY REVEALS A NEW FEATURE

MATCH WITH CRAWFORD AFFORDS PSYCHOLOGICAL STUDY

ENGLISHMAN'S "TEMPARAMENT" NOW A THING OF THE PAST

Well, we had our Perry-Crawford final, states *Lawn Tennis and Badminton*, in a description of the Bournemouth Hardcourt championships, but truth to tell it was not the great match we had looked forward to. The first set was windblown, and the gusts spoilt the delicacy of the exchanges and the judging of lobs; the latter deterrent was a ruling factor because a satisfactory toss over the heads of either of these tall men is only to be achieved under the best conditions.

There were four love games in the set, in terms of the loser they were the eighth and twelfth Perry serving, the ninth Crawford serving, and in terms of the winner the fourteenth Perry serving. In the second game, Perry, and in the thirteenth, Crawford served, two double-faults, and lost the game. Perry lost his service in the fourth and Crawford in the fifth game, neither man in the process being up to the mark. An 8-6 set to Perry.

The second set Perry won at 7-5 with a bad patch in the middle of it. He was 4-1 up, lost the sixth game, giving 30 with two double-faults, and then threw the seventh when 0-40 down. To throw a game against a man of Crawford's calibre—at this stage in a set—was a bit of tactics that in the circumstances required supreme confidence. Perry's reward was to equalise, but he lost his service again at the tenth game. Thereafter, confident still, he snopped two games for the set. After Crawford had opened the third set by winning his service Perry blazed his way home with six games in succession.

PSYCHOLOGY OF ENCOUNTER.

This skeleton of the match may be analytically instructive, but actually it does not give the psychology of the encounter. Crawford may or may not have been aware of it, but he was the means of demonstrating a new Perry, a player who was once temperamental but is now not only gaining control over his volatilities but learning to use the volatilities from which it arose, on the one hand as a curb upon his increasing confidence and on the other as an extra power plant. His temperament in the past has had the effect of reacting upon his reserves, nowadays it waits in reserve unless properly handled, and he knows his own weakness to be strength if wisely directed. Crawford on the contrary is at least tension and seems in danger of reverting to his old pauses in concentration. The Crawford who withdrew and conquered the flabbiness of Ellsworth Vines at Wimbledon last year would not have been mastered by the conscious crushing machine which Perry forced himself to be at Bournemouth.

PERRY'S FOREHAND.

Technically speaking Perry won on his forehand ground strokes and volleying, and Crawford lost on his inability to manoeuvre him away from opportunities to exploit them. From another viewpoint Perry, in fighting trim, kept the attack and Crawford was not in sufficient touch to beat him. The concluding stroke of the match was an illustration of this. As an effort Crawford got up on his service, put a smashable volley out, of which he probably would have made a winner. There was no compulsion about him, and no consistent depth of cleverness. In effect he was lost last year when he was beaten by G. P. Hughes, only it was not so obvious. Hughes won on the soft surface with Crawford digging for the ball in dull weather; Perry won on a hard surface in brilliant weather with the ball behaving in a normal manner.

A WAY OUT.

What is the way out of this state of affairs, where London man, a Metropolitan pair of rink has to play half as many games again as some of the provincial players who earn the right to appear at Paddington?

The best means of escaping the position, in my opinion, would be for the E.B.A. to scrap its present system of handicapping the counties and leave the county to compete with their events. The E.B.A. could select its own tournaments, open to the world, but only to men whose handicap is 5 or over for the singles and pairs.

BOWLS PLAYERS DISSATISFIED

ANTIQUATED METHOD OF E.B.A. CONDEMNED

Devotees of single-handed bowls in crowded county associations are up in arms against the E.B.A. methods of arriving at their national champions. To the unenlightened let me explain that one has to win, or act as runner-up, in county championship to be eligible for the national title.

The suggestion was negatived. We have an excellent English champion in James McKinlay of Paddington, from whom to build up a national handicap for 1943. Falling a man as good as McKinlay in other years, the national handicap could be made up from the winners of the leading open tournaments.

LIMITING ENTRANTS.

Among most officials connected with bowls clubs there is an inward fear of attempting something new, and one finds the same thing reflected in the Council of the Association.

The county championships themselves in the London area have grown to the extent they have because so many players enter "for the fun of the thing."

Were the counties themselves to scrap their championships, as at present decided, and hold their own "fortnights" they would soon get rid of those players.

In writing thuswise I do not seek to deny the working man player or the park player from the opportunity of playing in his county games. If he is keen and the fortnight tournaments I suggest were in vogue, he would make arrangements to secure the period off, as happens to-day to Hastings and other seaside events.

Fleetwood-Smith

expected in the Australians' second innings, his 113 being made out of a total of 234. Matthews bowled well for the county team to return an analysis of 6 for 87.

Northants were fighting desperately for runs in their second innings, and only Bakewell and Timms saved them. The former hit up 56 and his colleague the bare half century.

Fleetwood-Smith was in good form with his left hand googlies, and captured 5 for 29.

RECREIO CONCEDE 100 PER CENT. RECORD

S. CHINA NOW SERIOUS RIVALS TO C.R.C.

LATEST LEAGUE TENNIS

C.C.C. WIN IN "C" DIV.

THREE LEADING TEAMS

The Club de Recreio, not unexpectedly, yesterday lost their unbeaten record in the "C" Division, of the tennis league, when they fell victims to the smart South China outfit by six and a half sets to two and a half.

Only Carvalho and Oliveria could make any impression on the home pair, and they did exceedingly well to win two and a half sets. South China further emphasised that they are going to be chief challengers to the Chinese Recreation Club this summer, and when the teams meet, it should provide the best match of the season.

Craigengower continued their 100 per cent. way with a comfortable win against Civil Service, and the Happy Valley team will also need watching.

The results in brief were:

P.T.C.	0	C.R.C.	9
Radio	2	I.R.C.	7
C.S.C.C.	2	C.C.C.	7
S.C.A.A.	6½	Recreio	2½
K.C.C.	6	D.R.C.	3
P. R. C. v. C.R.C.			

T. Pile and Lochlin (Police R. C.) lost to M. C. Lau and B. G. Leung 2-0; lost to W. K. Cheung and H. P. Chan 1-6; lost to W. M. Cheung and H. T. Woo 3-6.

Mottram and Hunter (Police R. C.) lost to Lau and Leung 2-6; lost to Cheung and Chan 0-6; lost to Cheung and Woo 0-6.

Clarke and Was (Police R. C.) lost to Lau and Leung 1-6; lost to Cheung and Chan 0-6; lost to Cheung and Woo 1-0.

RADIO SPORTS v. INDIAN R. C.

The Radio Sports Club met the Indian R. C. at Happy Valley and lost, seven sets to two. Scores:

A. J. Suffield and Y. el Arculli (Indian R. C.) beat Wei and Chanson 6-3; beat Jahan Dad and Kawan Singh 6-4; beat Jeffery and Sherriff 6-1.

Firdos Khan and M. A. Khan lost to Wei and Chanson 4-6; beat Dad and Singh 6-3; beat Jeffery and Sherriff 7-5.

S. A. R. Bux and A. R. H. Esman (Indian R. C.) lost to Wei and Chanson 2-0; beat Dad and Singh 6-4; beat Jeffery and Sherriff 6-4.

CIVIL SERVICE v. C.C.C.

On the Civil Service courts the home team were beaten by the Craigengower C. C. by seven sets to two. Scores:

J. Bendall and G. Fowler (Civil Service C. C.) drew with Y. C. Mok and D. Leonard 0-6; lost to H. Howard and A. B. Hamson 3-6; lost to A. Kitchell and W. J. Howard 6-4.

D. M. McDougal and C. Fisher (Civil Service) lost to Mol and Leonard 6-0; drew with Howard and Hamson 6-6; lost to Kitchell and Howard 0-6.

W. Edro and C. Champelovier (Civil Service C. C.) lost to Mok and Leonard 1-6; lost to Howard and Hamson 0-6; lost to Kitchell and Howard 1-6.

RECREIO v. SOUTH CHINA.

The Club de Recreio were visitors to the South China Club and lost by 6½ sets to 2½. The scores:

K. Kwok and C. N. Tsang (South China) lost to L. A. Carvalho and M. Oliveira 3-6; beat A. E. Xavier and partner, 6-3; beat F. L. Ribeiro and S. Xavier 6-4.

H.K. Lo and K. F. Lou (South China) drew with Carvalho and Oliveira 6-6; beat Xavier and partner 6-1; beat Ribeiro and Xavier 6-4.

C. P. Ip and F. N. Wong (South China) lost to Carvalho and Oliveira 1-6; beat Xavier and partner 6-3; beat Ribeiro and Xavier 6-1.

K.C.C. v. GERMAN CLUB.

Playing on their own Courts the K. C. C. defeated the German Club by six to three. The scores:

A. E. Colina and R. S. Capell (K. C. C.) lost to B. Salas and J. C. Steenek 1-6; beat W. Sander and G. Sommer 7-5; beat G. Von Ehren and Hell 6-0.

W. Gittens and J. S. Smith (K. C. C.) beat Salas and Steenek 6-4; beat Sander and Sommer 6-1; lost to Von Ehren and Hell 4-6.

F. Broadbridge and J. Crawford (K. C. C.) lost to Salas and Steenek 2-6; beat Sander and Sommer 6-2; beat Von Ehren and Hell 6-1.

LEAGUE TABLE.

	P.W.	D.L.	F.	A.	W.
Chinese R.C.	5	6	0	42½	21½
Craigengower	4	4	0	26	10
Indian R.C.	5	3	0	25	20
Kowloon C.C.	4	3	0	18	18
South China	2	2	0	15½	21½
Club do Recreio	3	2	0	18½	8½
Civil Service	5	2	0	23	22
University	4	2	0	16½	10½

S. CHINA NOW SERIOUS RIVALS TO C.R.C.

GOOD TEN MILER

London, May 24. With two world's championship events at ten miles and half a mile on the programme, the professional running meeting at Hackney Wick Stadium provided some excellent sport for the entertainment of 7,000 spectators.

The racing was excellent, and Willie Macfarlane, the Glasgow sprinter, and M. J. Dunn, his Australian rival, were performers of the highest class. The odder, Macfarlane won the 100 yards' world's championship in a tenth under "evens" with Dunn, according to the official verdict, a foot behind; but hardly a quarter of that distance separated them when the worst was broken.

Macfarlane is built on generous lines, with a deep, thick chest and great thighs from which he gets his power of thrust. Dunn is made in rather slender lines, but has a rare stride, and in the 100 yards handicap, in which he was credited with three yards to Macfarlane on scratch, he turned the tables on his opponent and won by half a yard from H. Mills (Jun.), a Barry runner who was on nine yards, Macfarlane taking third place a good two yards behind.

A FINE HALF-MILER.

It would be hard to find a better half-miler than J. Duffy, of Broxburn, Scotland. This event took place on the grass track and the earlier running was made by H. Campbell of Leith, and J. M. Lang, another Scot. At the bell R. Loudon (Clubman) went ahead, but up the straight Duffy went through at a smashing pace to win by five yards from J. Bolton (Wemyss). Loudon collapsed a yard or so from the finish, but crawled over the line and was then carried from the track.

A surprise was furnished in the 10 miles' world's championship. The pinnacles made J. Campbell, the Powderhall Marathon winner of the last two years, favourite at 5-2 on, with Allan Scally, of Brookhouse, as the most likely to trouble him.

Scally retired, however, at a third of the distance, and R. W. Andrews, a Herefordshire runner, with a nice "easy-going" style, soon lapped Campbell, whom he eventually beat by half a mile.

TATE ON HIS GRIEVANCES

STORY OF "REBUFFS" IN AUSTRALIA

Maurice Tate, the Sussex cricketer, revives old controversies in connection with the last M.C.C. tour in Australia in a book of cricket reminiscences just published by Stanley Paul and Co. at £s.

He suggests that he was not a welcome member of the party to the leaders when he arrived, as he had been assured he would be.

Of the game at Bendigo he says he received "another rebuff." "I got two wickets for one run in the first two overs—and then Jardine unexpectedly took me off."

JARDINE'S BAN ON DANCE.

He complains, too, that at Melbourne a dance was arranged in honour of his infant son Michael, who was to have had the proceeds. "Jardine would not let any of the team attend, perhaps thinking it was too near the Test," and it was not a success.

"At Brisbane," he writes, "I occupied the same room in the Belle Vue Hotel as I had four and eight years previously. But as leader of the M.C.C. team there was another Pharaoh who knew not Joseph, and I was no longer regarded as the chief bowler of the side. It was a galling thought."

A LORD'S INCIDENT.

Earlier in the book Tate tells how he was sent for to Lord's, where he was told he must consider himself lucky to be chosen to go to Australia. It was suggested, he says, that there had been matches in which he was considered not to have tried.

Despite his grievances, Tate says the party was a very happy one throughout the tour.



YANKEES GO AHEAD IN QUEST FOR PENNANT

DEFEAT FOR THE CARDINALS

New York, June 16. The Yankees went further to-day in their quest for the American League pennant, when they beat St. Louis, but the Giants sustained a reverse at the hands of Cincinnati Reds.

Washington Senators scored another win over Chicago White Sox, and Cleveland Indians rattled a dozen runs against the Athletics.

Boston Braves were in hitting form against St. Louis Cardinals, who were well beaten, but the Phillips only just nosed out Chicago Cubs.

Full scores as cabled by Reuter follow.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	R	H	E
Cleveland	12	17	9
(Rice and Aberill homered)			
Philadelphia	6	11	0
(Higgins and Coleman homered)			
St. Louis	3	5	3
(Burns homered)			
New York	6	8	1
Detroit	11	12	1
Boston	4	9	1
Chicago	7	13	1
(Bonura homered)			
Washington	8	13	1
(Cronin homered)			

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	R	H	E
Boston	10	19	1
St. Louis	4	10	0
(V. Davis homered)			
Philadelphia	4	9	0
(Camilli homered)			
Chicago	3	7	0
(Ouyler and Jurges homered)			
There were ten innings)			
New York	1	9	1
Cincinnati	2	5	1
Brooklyn	6	16	0
Pittsburgh	4	9	0
(Suhr homered)			

BOWLS TOURNEY

CIVIL SERVICE RINK BEATS RECREIO

In the Rinks Championship of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association's tournaments a Civil Service C. C. rink consisting of E. W. Simonds, J. Deakin, F. J. Jones and A. W. Grimmett beat a quartet from the Club do Recreio composed of J. E. Brown, C. E. Marques, F. X. M. Silveira and J. Silveira at the Craygower C. C. drawn by 20 shots to 18.

The match was closely contested throughout, although at one stage the Civil Service players held the lead by 10-11. A four to the Recreio levelled up the scores somewhat and when the last end was commenced the Kowloon men required a four to tie, but could only score two.

RECORDS BROKEN

Eyston Sets Marks On French Track

London, June 15. Capt. Eyston, the famous British speed driver, piloting an A.E.C. diesel-engined car, powered by a similar unit to those used in the London buses, shattered his own world record to 100 m.p.h. outside Paris, driving a course at an average speed of 103.00 Kilometres an hour and 120.856 miles an hour over a measured mile.—Reuter Special.

Interesting Tennis Statistics

(Continued from Page 8.)

1-4, 4-2, 0-4, 4-0, 0-4.
Time 37 minutes. Perry 52 points, Crawford 48 points. Each served 2 double faults.

Second set—Crawford serving—0-4, 2-4, 4-1, 3-5, 4-6, 4-2, 4-2, 4-1, 5-7.

Time 28 minutes. Perry 41 points, Crawford 36 points. Perry served 2 double faults.

Third set—Crawford serving—4-1, 3-5, 2-4, 1-4, 2-4, 2-4.

Time 16 minutes. Perry 26 points, Crawford 16 points.

Total: Time 90 minutes. Perry 110 points, Crawford 97.

SEMI-FINAL OF DAVIS CUP

Czechoslovakia and Italy Level

Milan, June 15.

Meting in the top-half semi-final of the European Zone of the Davis Cup to-day, Italy and Czechoslovakia finished the day's play all square, both nations having won a singles.

Italy took the lead when Baron de Stefani, the ambidextrous exponent overcame L. Hecht in four sets.

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Washington, June 16.

President Roosevelt approved the National Industrial Recovery Act one year ago to-morrow—June 16, 1933, at 11.55 a.m.—and thereby launched the major offensive in his "recovery campaign."

The Act had three principle purposes: (1) the encouragement of industrial recovery through co-operative action among trade groups and between labour and management; (2) an emergency programme of public works construction with authorized expenditure of US\$2,200,000,000; and, (3) modification of the law which created the Reconstruction Finance Corporation during the Hoover administration to avoid any conflict of policy or purpose with the new recovery measures.

In the year since its passage, the N. R. A. has given rise to many political and economic controversies, but these in the main have related to the first title of the Bill, dealing with industrial recovery procedure, rather than to the advisability of the huge public works programme.

The points at issue have been the effect of the N. R. A. programme on the cost of living and acute differences between labour and capital—frequently leading to strikes—over the correct interpretation of Section 7A of the Act, which recognized the principle of collective bargaining but did not adequately define its application; and the wisdom of tacitly exempting codified industries against the rigorous application of the anti-trust laws.

Improvements Registered.

Apart from the questions of policy and the long range effects of the N. R. A. programme, sponsors of the law claimed ample vindication for it in the pronounced improvement of most business indexes during the year. The law, they claimed, has been administered to promote the "self-government" of industry rather than a strict "regimentation." Officials did not resort to the broad licensing authority given by the law as a potential "club" over industry.

Nevertheless, the administration of the N. R. A. engendered widespread uneasiness as to whether industry had been constrained to accept a business order essentially different from the traditional set-up in the United States, and apathy in the plan by many groups was, at least in part, due to the absence of any alternative governmental programme of a comprehensive character.

Comparable business indexes for the week ended April 28, 1934, as compared with the week ended June 10, 1933, the last before approval of the National Industrial Recovery Act, were—as follows, according to Department of Commerce compilation:

(Weekly average 1923-25 equal 100) Production indexes—automobile, 130.2 against 69.8; electric power, 100.2 against 92.9; petroleum, 117.6 against 130.11. (Curtailment was desired by the industry due to excess production and heavy surplus), steel ingots, 27.4 against 60.5.

Freight-car loadings, week ended April 21, 61.5 against 58.9. Receipts at principal markets—cattle and calves (April 21), 82.7 against 70.9; hogs (April 21), 65.1 against 85.3; cotton (April 28), 60.0 against 65.4; wheat, 21.3 against 73.9. (Lower receipts were among the objectives of the A. A. A. programme).

Wholesale prices—all commodities, 73.1 against 62.7; agricultural products, 50.6 against 45.4; non-agricultural products, 79.1 against 66.1; copper, 60.1 against 55.6; cotton, 41.2 against 34.2; iron and steel, composite 84.0 against 69.5; wheat, 54.3 against 55.0.

Commercial failures—64.4 against 98.5. Bonds prices—106.1 against 94.4; Stock prices—94.9 against 87.4. (United Press).

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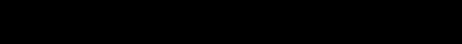
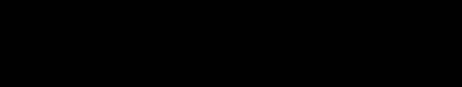
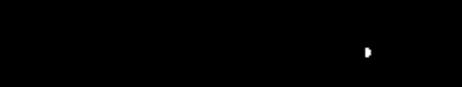
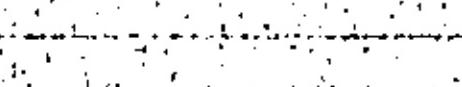
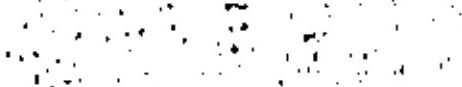
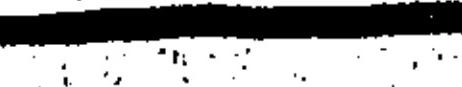
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**GAS INQUIRY
DRAMA**

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EVIDENCE**

That the plates of the gasometer were in a very bad condition and in some cases so corroded that daylight could be seen through them, was the expert evidence of Mr. W. A. Butterfield, tendered on behalf of the Government at the continued inquiry before Mr. Hamilton yesterday into the West Point gasworks explosion.

The Jury sitting on the inquiry are Messrs. P. Foster (foreman), L. Dunton and D. Drummond.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay is appearing for the Gas Company, and Mr. W. M. Brown on behalf of certain owners whose property was damaged.

Mr. H. E. Stone, managing director of the Gas Company, underwent cross-examination for nearly two hours yesterday, making a total of five hours in which he has been in the witness box.

Opening the cross-examination of Mr. Stone yesterday, the Coroner asked witness whether it was in his knowledge that the Bedford Road, Manchester gas explosion, was due to corrosion?

Mr. Stone: It was assumed the damage was in the crown of the holder. The finding was that the holder had exceeded its useful life. It was 46 years old, and it had therefore become worn out to a considerable extent by internal corrosion.

The Coroner: Can you say whether the internal corrosion there was the same as the internal corrosion in the holder here?—I could not say, as I did not see that holder. In the Bedford Road gas explosion case, it was a question of whether the framing or the plating fell. I don't think it was decided which.

On the question of internal examination. Is it not reasonably easy to make an internal examination with the use of a steam hose and ventilating fans?—It is very difficult, as you have to take out a large quantity of water as well. Moreover, it is an expensive and long business. There are about 5,000 tons of water in the tank.

When you did make an examination, were not the plates in a dreadful condition?—No. I have seen holders in a worse condition.

Holes Due To Corrosion.

Were any of the holes that were patched up found to be due to corrosion?—I expect most of them were due to corrosion. Corrosion takes place unevenly, and although one plate may be affected, the remaining plates may not show corrosion for years. Had the other plates got into a dangerous or bad condition, I would have expected them to show.

When did you last make a careful examination personally?—I had a general inspection when the holder was painted about six months ago, but about twelve or eighteen months before that there had been a more detailed examination.

When you told us the holder was in good order, you were then working

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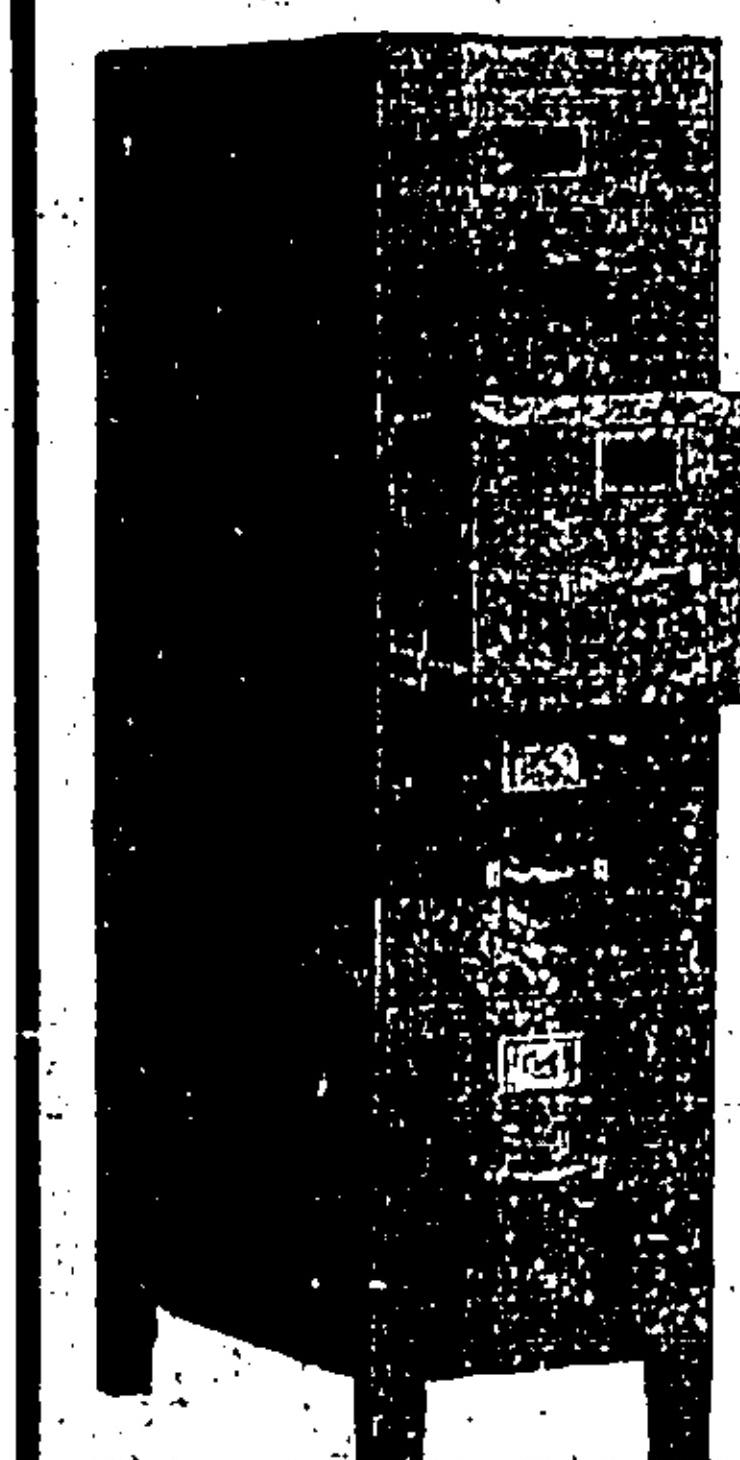
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GAS INQUIRY DRAMA

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ing on what you had seen after the explosion, and what Mr. Marshall had told you at the start?—I depend on my engineers. We have a system which is functioning, and Mr. Marshall's work was in the recognised scheme.

You are not suggesting that these bulbs, lantern paper, etc., came through the holder?—They probably struck the holder and dropped between it and the tank.

Is it possible that anything thrown at the holder would perforate it?—It is possible.

Would you have any objection to me trying it?—No.

When you found those articles in the yard, did you make a report to the Police?—No.

No Explosion in Hut.

Do you still adhere to the opinion that there was no explosion in the watchman's hut?—Yes. I can only say that, with all my experience of coal tar gas explosions, there was no explosion in the hut, as the result would have been different. I think the paint inside the hut was not scorched by the flame.

Have you had any correspondence with the head office as to renewal of the holder?—No.

Do your recommendations always receive the sanction of the head office?—Yea. Certainly on engineering matters. The Company has always taken full notice and supported any recommendations for renewal, painting or expenditure of monies. Nothing has ever been refused.

Mr. Mackinlay: At the last hearing you told us that, in England, there was generally a street between the wall of the gasworks and the nearest house. Can you say whether that is due to health regulations or town planning?—It may be due to either. There is no gas-works regulation to that effect.

How often is it the practice to paint gas holders in England?—Not more than once every two years.

The pressure gauges were watched by an attendant on duty. Were they watched by anybody else?—They are inspected by the Works superintendent and a Chinese foreman at least every hour.

On the Questions of pressure of the gas, how much have you got to have to cause it to blow up to the water seal?—About .86 of a pound per square inch.

When you get a leak, which is produced by corrosion, what type of leak is it?—Usually a small crack or pin hole.

Theory Discounted.

In your opinion, if you got a leak like that, would the volume of gas be sufficient to reach Chung Shing Street and be blown back before it was dissipated?—No. It would be dissipated before.

And the fact that you have in the past had corrosion leaks which have not resulted in a fire, would seem to support that theory?—Yes.

In your experience as a practical gas engineer have you ever seen or heard of a leak due to corrosion, which would be of sufficient size as to allow a volume of gas to escape to Chung Shing Street, ignite and get blown back against a 22 mile an hour wind?—No.

Coroner: Is it possible that the plating on the lee side of the gasometer was damaged through wind pressure outside?—The holder is made to withstand wind pressure, and the plates do not come into contact with the supports.

Mr. Brown: Is the plating similar to that used in England?—Yes.

Is it strengthened for typhoons?—The structure of the holder is strengthened, but the plating is the same as used in England.

How often is the holder painted?—The last time was in 1932. It is usually done about once every year.

Is there any difference in the life of a gasometer in hot or cold climates?—No.

Does the Gas, Light and Coal Company carry out internal examinations?—Not as far as I know.

Does the corrosive action of the gas vary according to the coal used?—No.

Have you got the piece of iron piping which was found in the gasometer here?—No, it is in the box. It is about two feet long.

Do you think it possible for someone to have thrown it down the holder?—No. I think it is quite possible that it was dropped into the holder by one of our workmen.

Do you think it possible that somebody could have thrown an object to hit the top of the holder?—Yes, from the top of Chung Shing Street or Clarence Terrace.

Would the effect of radiant heat start the fire earlier at Chung Shing Street than in Clarence Terrace?—My impression is it would not.

Fire in Street First.

You are definitely of the impression that Chung Shing Street was afire before the gasometer?—Yes.

If Chung Shing Street was on fire, it is impossible that someone could have thrown anything at the gasometer?—Something may have hit the holder at the same time.

Is it possible objects ejected from Chung Shing Street could have struck the holder?—Yes.

Coroner: What was all that corrosive matter taken out of the tank?—For the last twenty years there has been a fair amount of deposit in the bottom of the water tank.

Report for Government.

Mr. William Arthur Butterfield, superintendent engineer of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, said he examined the gasometer at the request of the Government. He had not much experience of gasometers but had a great knowledge of tanks. His report, he stated, was confined to the material blown from the gasometer and did not touch on the origin of the fire.

Witness entered into a technical description of his examination and said:

"I examined seventeen plates in all and from the average measurements of ten plates given above, it will be seen that many of the plates were badly wasted away by corrosion, particularly at their plate landings (the part adjacent to the points).

"In these positions the plates are in many places only of paper thickness and, in some cases, through cracks obtain. Three of the plates examined showed a number of small perforations caused by corrosion, through which daylight could be seen. The cracks and perforations may have existed before the explosion, and were probably sealed by corrosion."

Mr. Butterfield said that the cracks and perforations would not have been visible to the naked eye. The dome would have appeared to be in good order to the casual observer, unless he knew what he was looking for. The container was well painted.

If he had been told to inspect the holder, he would have tapped it with a test hammer, to ascertain the condition of the plates.

What Would You Do?

"If you had tapped to examine those plates, knowing their condition and age, and that the holder had previously had perforations, what would you have done?" asked the Coroner.

"I should have put the tank out of action as quickly as possible," replied the witness.

"You referred to the 'failure' of the plates?"

"Yes. The plates fell out and failed to do the job for which they were intended, due to the wasted section at the plate landings, and also to the rivets pulling through."

"What do you consider was the condition of the plates?"

"I consider that they were in a very bad condition," replied witness.

The hearing was adjourned until Monday afternoon.



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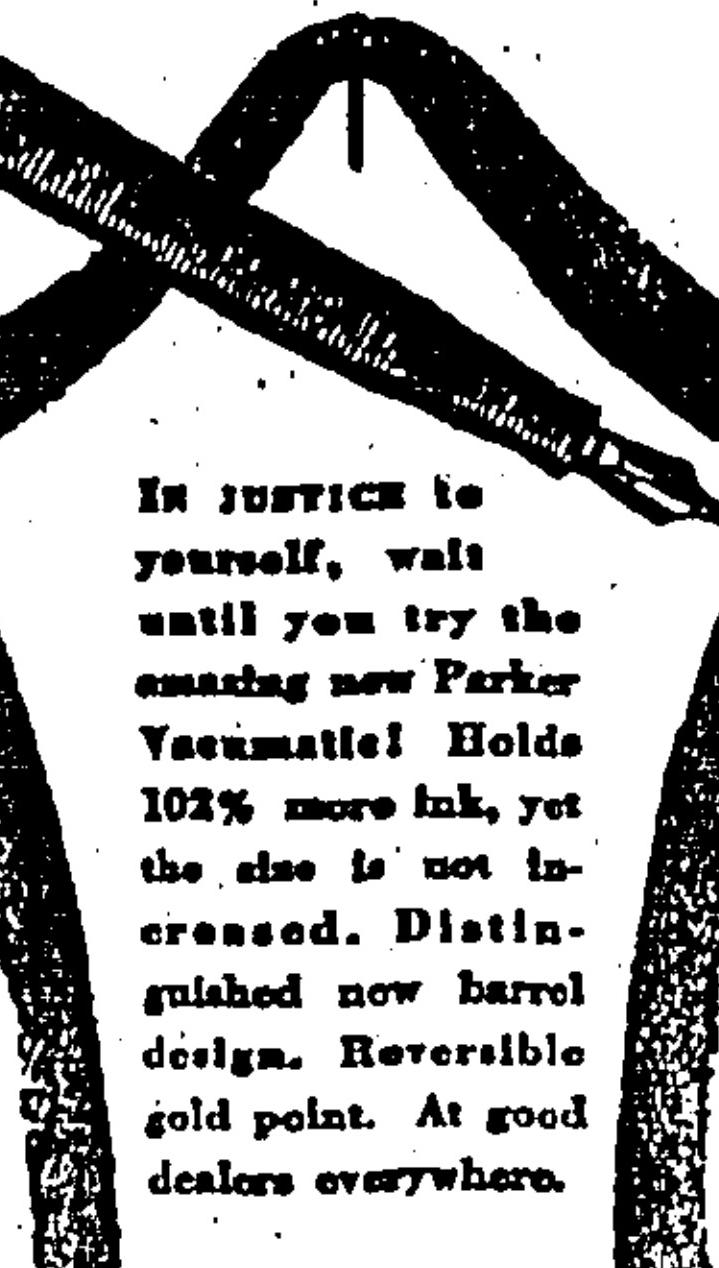
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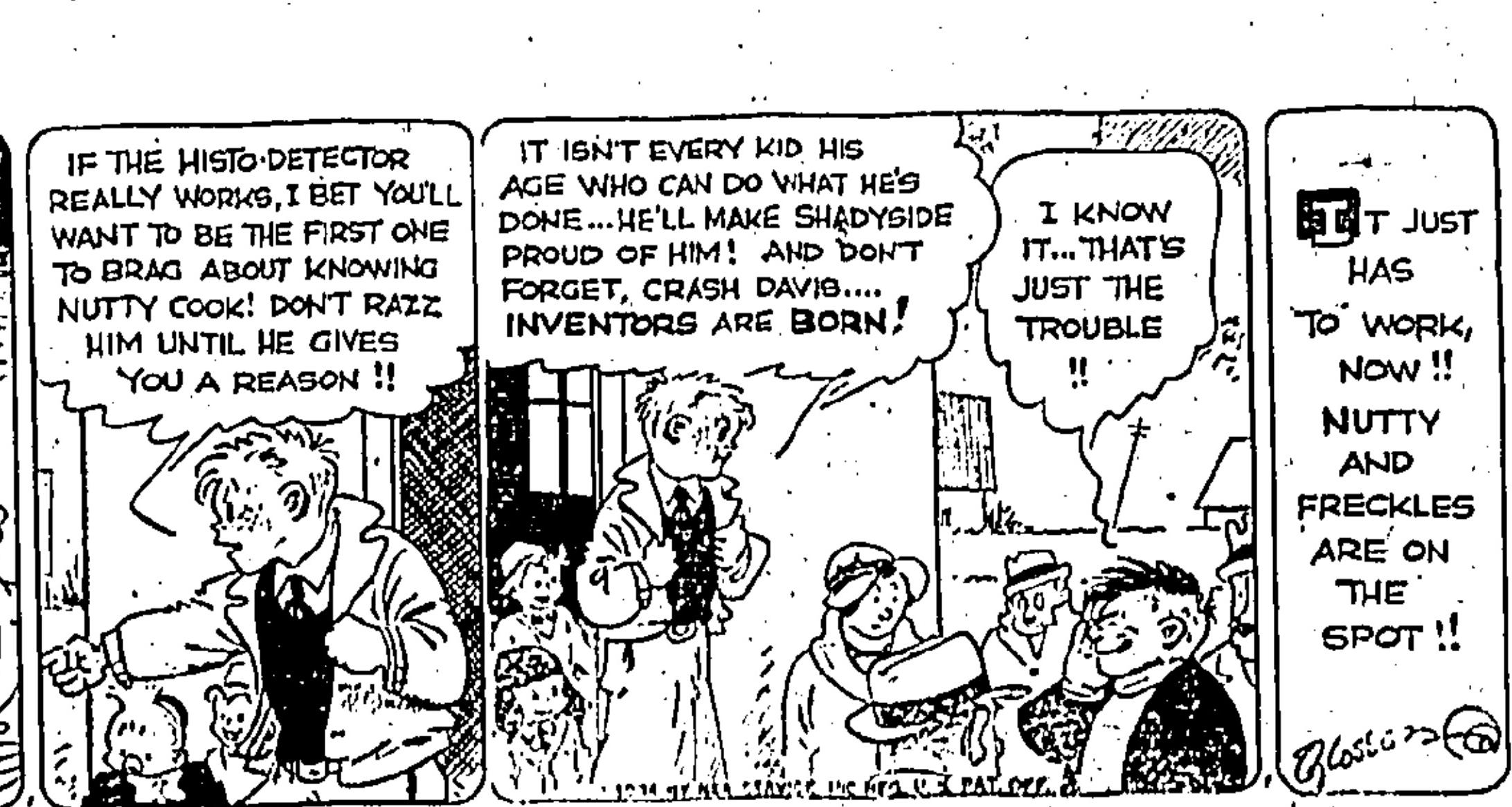
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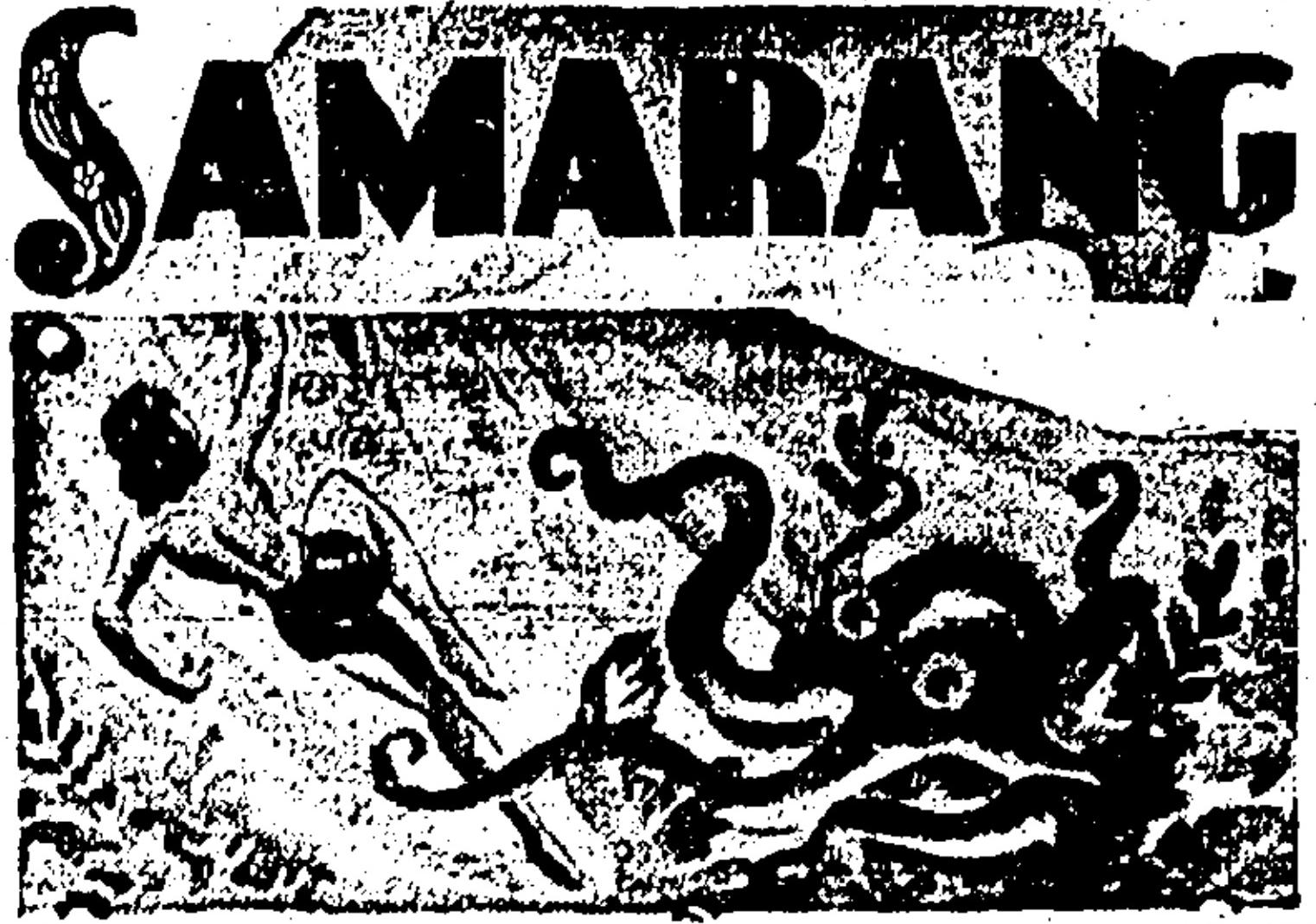


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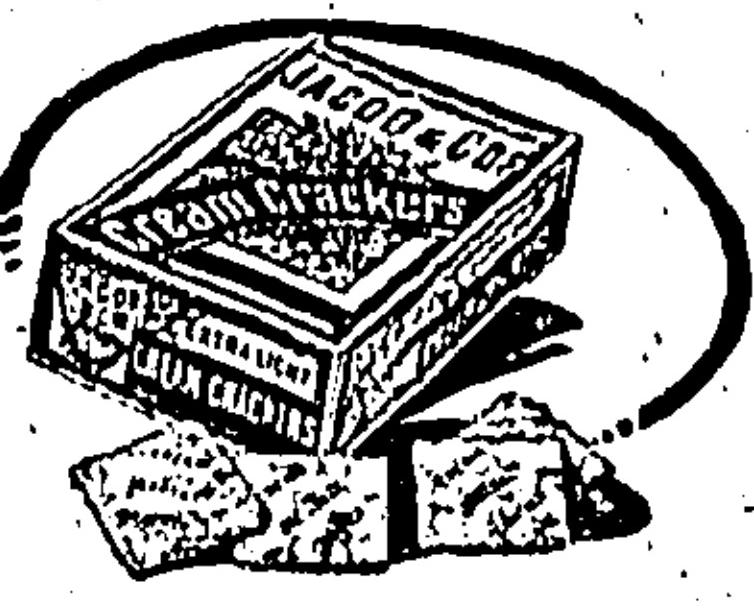
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The church was most tastefully decorated with gladioli, and quite a number of guests were present. The bride who was given away by her uncle, looked very sweet in a long gown of georgette with a loose silver girdle and high Elizabethan collar. She wore a long embroidered veil which was caught on the head with small circlet of pearls on silver and carried a spray of gladioli and carnations. Her only attendant was Mrs. R. K. Batchelor, who performed the duties of Matron of Honour and wore a very pretty blue organdie dress trimmed with frills of the same material in blue and white. Mr. W. G. Cameron acted as best man. Mr. Arthur Lay, of Messrs. Reiss Mussey & Co., and former tennis champion of Shameen, came up from Hongkong to play the organ.

The reception was held in the house of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Batchelor, with whom the bride has been staying for the past few months. Mr. Batchelor, in a short and appropriate speech, proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom, expressing his pleasure that owing to the wedding taking place in China instead of at the home of the bride he was enabled to have his nieces married from his house. Mr. Satterthwaite replied expressing his thanks to all the friends for their presence and also especially to Mr. and Mrs. Batchelor for all their kindness both to himself and his wife during their stay in China.

The honeymoon will be spent at Repulse Bay, and the happy couple hope to proceed to England in about six weeks' time.—Our Own Correspondent.

SILVER PRICES RISE

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New York, June 16. The Wall Street Journal reports that silver prices were on the upside, despite the fact that the silver futures market was duller than it had been for years, due to the belief that the Silver Act will continue speculative enthusiasm. Considerable silver bullishness, however, is due to certainty on the part of some traders that the Silver Act will cause prices to advance on Government buying and should stimulate foreign activity, with heavy orders expected from both Shanghai and London.—*Per Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.*

SENATE RATIFIES TREATIES

RIO AND FINNISH AGREEMENTS

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Washington, June 16. The Senate to-day ratified the Anti-War and Non-Aggression and Conciliation Treaty signed at Rio de Janeiro on October 10, 1933, providing for the settlement of boundary disputes.

The Senate also ratified the new treaty of friendship and commerce and consular rights with Finland.—*United Press.*

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WEDDING OF MR. PETER GRANT

A wedding of much interest was celebrated quietly by the Registrar at 11 o'clock this morning, when Miss Joyce Dobbin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dobbin of Catford, London, was married to Mr. Peter Grant, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Grant of Glenlyon, Banffshire, Scotland. Mr. Grant, who is Assistant Superintendent of Police, has been in the Colony for more than 28 years.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel and later, the happy couple left for their honeymoon, which is to be spent at Repulse Bay.

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